

On This Side Of The Sun

By Phat

VERBOSE — Bill Lippman, ration board chief, checked up on the number of words he got in just ONE mail last Sunday. There were 26 pages, 553 lines and 5468 words in the instructions to the board. . . He got two other batches of mail that day, too. . . Seems to me that rationing, like charity, might well begin at home. . . Boys at Palm Springs high school were rather miffed last week when the girls started wearing bow ties. They thought that was going a bit too far in swiping male habiliment. In Chicago a group of high school boys raided feminine wardrobes at home and appeared in classes wearing skirts and other girlish finery in protest against the girls' wearing slacks.

STATISTICS — Not so long ago council considered establishing a minimum of 30 square feet per couple for dancers. The Recreation Commission's Community dances have been staged at the Frances Stevens school auditorium which is 45 by 54 feet—2430 square feet. That, under the council's proposal, should accommodate 81 couples. Only 11 couples turned out last Friday night. That left each of them 231 square feet in which to swing and sway. That ought to satisfy everyone. But it didn't. The commission, which went into the red on the dance, saw red and discontinued them—for the time being.

SLICED — Sliced bread is back. The bright boys who figured that it would save a fraction of a cent on a loaf if bread were unsliced discovered that the waste in the kitchen because of home bread carving offset this small saving. Canada, however, says sliced bread won't come back there. They've tried it for 15 months and say it's a great economy. Canadians must be handier with the knife than Americans. . . The slogan of the Ordnance division of the army is: "The difficult things we do immediately. The impossible takes a little longer."

HAPPINESS — You don't need to answer this one right away, lady, but do you and your husband engage in little verbal bouts? Don't worry. According to Dr. Regina Weiman, Michigan psychologist, couples who have differences of opinion have a greater chance for marital happiness than those who are always in perfect agreement. She adds, however, that this only applies when each respects the other's views. . . A Marion, Ohio, church made the public prints the other day because it started a share-the-ride to church pian and drew up regular schedules. There's a chance for the Rev. Robert M. Hogarth and Levering Moore of the local Episcopal church to sniff disdainfully. They though up that idea way back on Dec. 1 last year when gas rationing started.

PEEVED — "The guy I'd like to see feasting on ground glass is the driver who pulls forward after getting into a parking place and leaves you no room to get out," said a Village motorist. "I bet I've wasted two coupons since December 1 trying to maneuver out of a tight spot." . . . The most patriotic man in town, says Pfc. George Goodale of the Ferrying Command is that gentleman who, waking up to find his wife going through his pants pockets, raised up on one elbow and snarled: "You'd better take out ten per cent of that in war bonds!"

DIFFERENCE — There seems to be a slight difference of opinion in high places on the part the colleges play in our national life during the war. According to Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson: "The immediate necessity is to win the war, and unless we do that, there is no hope for liberal education in the colleges." Wendell Willkie has another idea. He says: "The preservation of our system of liberal education during the war will make an enormous contribution to our victory."

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Recreation Policy To Be Presented At Council Rally

Members of the city council met as a committee of the whole Wednesday evening at the city hall and went over the new policy adopted by the recreation commission in its reorganization move.

Decisions reached were not divulged but will be made public on presentation to the city council at its next regular meeting.

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Friday, March 26, to Friday, April 2, 1943

Price Five Cents

58 Villagers Aid County Blood Bank

Mobile Unit Here Almost Six Hours Taking Donations

Fifty-eight residents of Palm Springs journeyed to the Health Center, 299 East Amado road, yesterday to make donations to the Riverside county blood bank, the mobile unit of which was here from early afternoon until well into the night.

All afternoon, from 2:30 until the last donation of blood was made at 8:30, villagers trooped into the Center to aid in the cause.

Yesterday's activity here raised the number of blood donors to 458 since the mobile unit of the Riverside Canteen Corps, American Red Cross, started touring the county last October.

IN MOBILE UNIT

Mrs. H. G. Halverson of Riverside, secretary of the blood bank, said that "458 units means 458 pints of blood to save lives."

Composing the mobile unit which was here yesterday were Dr. W. E. Gardner, physician in charge, Miss Nina Lind, technician of the Community Hospital at Riverside, Mrs. Harold McCarthy, Red Cross motor corps captain, Mrs. Donald Mapson, Mrs. Walker Kerr, Mrs. W. R. Cook and Mrs. E. J. Pann, Red Cross nurses aides.

Here they were assisted by Mrs. Madge Holderman, public health nurse, and members of the local Red Cross branch and of the Welfare and Friendly Aid association, which is in charge of the Center's activities.

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Promotion of Five Medical Officers At TGH Announced

Five medical officers at Torney General hospital were promoted this past week.

Major Montgomery Blair, Jr., assistant chief of the medical service, was promoted to Lt. Colonel, Capt. Edward M. Honke, chief of the urologic section, surgical service, and Capt. Gordon L. Witten of the E. E. N. T. section, surgical service, were raised to rank of Major. First Lt. Arthur L. Glassman, assistant chief of the orthopedic section (transferred to another station) and First Lt. Emanuel M. Papper, surgical service, raised to rank of captain. First Lt. Preston C. Lloyd of the 737th sanitary company attached to Torney was also raised to rank of captain.

Don't Forget the Test of Air Raid Sirens Next Week

Don't forget that sharp at 12 o'clock on March 31, next Wednesday, Palm Springs' air raid sirens will wail.

It will be an official test, ordered by Earl E. Gibbs, civilian defense director for Palm Springs, to see if all of the equipment is in good working order.

Neither the sirens nor the control room have been given a thorough test for some time and Mr. Gibbs obtained permission from the state defense council to conduct the tests on March 31.

Gray Ladies Win Reward

Red Cross Group Given Certificates At Ceremonies

Graduation exercises for the first group of Gray Ladies at Torney General Hospital were held last Friday in the lounge of the new Recreation building. Members of the group have completed a training course and served a probationary period in service to the patients of the hospital.

Speaker of the afternoon was Miss Ruth E. Thomas, Red Cross field director who presented the group to Col. A. B. Jones, commanding officer of the hospital, who expressed appreciation of the services of the Gray Ladies. Presentation of the certificates was made by Philip Boyd, chairman of the Palm Springs branch of the American Red Cross and a message from Chief of Volunteer Services in Washington was read to the group by Mrs. Donald Lockett, chairman of the Volunteer Special Services of the local Red Cross branch. Benediction was pronounced by Chaplain Frank Hayes of the hospital.

Members of the first graduating class of Gray Ladies are Mrs. Philip Boyd, chairman, Mrs. Henry Greeley, Mrs. Walter McManus, Mrs. Hortense Murray, Mrs. Francis Crocker, Mrs. Lawrence Hohl, Mrs. C. S. Henderson, Mrs. Culver Nichols, Mrs. Bacon L. Clifton, Mrs. Earl Gibbs, Mrs. Frederick Watson, Mrs. Spencer Kellogg, Mrs. W. Lee James and Mrs. Merrill Crockett.

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Peter B. Sheptenko To Begin Career in Army Next Thursday

Peter B. Sheptenko, prominent local realtor, Thursday of this week at Los Angeles was sworn in as a member of the United States Army and will report at Fort MacArthur April 1 for basic training.

Mr. Sheptenko volunteered and qualified for Officers' Candidate school last November and received his notice to report this week. After three months of basic training he will go to the officers' candidate school.

He returned to Palm Springs last night to put the final touches on preparing his business affairs for his absence. Mrs. Cora Hyde, a resident of Palm Springs for 20 years, will be in charge of the office and handle his real estate and rental business. Miss Melissa Roberts, Mr. Sheptenko's secretary, and Mrs. Sheptenko, will be in charge of the insurance business.

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Palm Springs Mercy Drive Nearing Goal

Leaders Expect Village to Reach Quota Next Week

By MARGARET CREE

A flying finish to the Red Cross War Fund campaign will take Palm Springs to and beyond its quota, and all evidence points to this eminently satisfactory state of affairs.

According to Carl Haymond, chairman of the War Fund campaign, and Philip Boyd, chairman of the Palm Springs branch of the Riverside county chapter, the response to the campaign has been very heartening. Early in the month letters were sent to many residents of the area, and the answers have been generous and are still being received.

VOLUNTEERS ON JOB

During the past week a group of young girls has been on duty in the business section, manning a table in front of the bank building where they are accepting both Red Cross memberships and donations. They are under the direction of Mrs. Florence Lockett, chairman of Street and Voluntary Sales section of the general committee.

Supervising this very important part of the campaign have been Mrs. Lennie Linkletter, Mrs. Grace Zangerle and Mrs. Elbert Brock.

DEADLINE NEAR

Employees of the Desert Inn are conducting their own campaign among themselves, and are anticipating a 100 percent response. Another large group working under the same program is the civilian employee personnel at Torney Hospital.

With the conclusion of this Red Cross War Fund campaign scheduled for the end of March, a final wave of contributions is expected for this week-end. Palm Springs has concrete evidence of the value of the Red Cross to the armed forces, and participation in the drive gives to each individual a real part in spreading the services of Red Cross to every front and to every man.

\$70,331 IN COUNTY

While Palm Springs was nearing its goal in the Red Cross drive, the county, as a whole, was also approaching the top. Miss Frances Frazer, Riverside county chairman of the American Red Cross war fund drive, reported Thursday that \$70,331.84 had been contributed to the county drive up to Wednesday night. The county quota is \$85,000.

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Culver Nichols in
North on U. S. Business

Culver Nichols, who was recently appointed National Housing agency representative for Palm Springs with offices in the Torney General Hospital, spent several days this week in San Francisco on business connected with the federal office.

Mr. Cree expects to be back in Palm Springs next week.

Plans for Housing Project for Local Workers Studied

Plans for the erection of a 150-room hotel for women war workers in Palm Springs, as announced in a talk before a Riverside service club last week by Vincent Stone, executive director for the federal housing authority in the county, were still more or less of a secret today.

Stone, in his talk at the county seat, listed the local project as one of several contemplated in the county area to provide accommodations for the great numbers of civilian workers needed to keep the war effort rolling.

COUNTY CROWDED

Riverside county, it was said, has more military establishments than almost any other similar area. Large numbers of civilian workers, the majority of them, women clerks, are needed. The housing problem is an acute one and steps are being taken to relieve the situation.

It is understood that bids have been submitted for the local project and that a tentative site has been chosen. But no definite word has been given out.

WILSON LOCAL AGENT

Culver Nichols was recently named federal agent for these conversion projects at Palm Springs.

Last week Major R. C. Anthis, commanding officer at the Ferrying Command issued an appeal for housing for civilian office employees at that base.

STARTS ON MONDAY

Beginning March 29, Palm Springs consumers will pay from 1 to 12 points for meat per pound; eight points per pound for butter and cheese, and seven points per pound for canned fish. The average meat value is six points per pound, with steaks and loin chops rated at eight points, bacon with rind at seven points, liver and most roasts at six, and hamberger at five.

With every citizen receiving 16 points per week with which to buy meats, cheeses or fats and edible oils in any proportion desired, officials estimated the average weekly purchases as follows: Two pounds of meat (12 points), one-quarter pound of butter (2 points), and a small portion of cheese or cooking fats and oils valued at two points.

WIDE VARIANCE

Since the first four weeks' allotment of red-coupon points remains valid until April 30, officials predicted a wide variance from this weekly average shopping list. In addition, a frugal consumer buying largely meats with cheaper values, such as spare ribs or rump roast, could acquire much more than two pounds of meat per person each week.

The most expensive item in the new ration program is dried beef, marked at 12 points per pound. The cheapest are pigs' ears and bacon rinds, requiring only one point.

WILL CHANGE

As in the case of the processed foods rationing program which came into effect March 1, point values may be altered from month to month, depending upon the available supply of stock. In establishing the values, OPA will consider both the relative scarcity of the commodity and the relative proportion of edible content.

Although all meat values are listed on a per pound basis, grocers may compute the points on percentages of a pound in serving customers. Furthermore, contrary to the blue-coupon tinned foods program, retailers

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Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McLaren of Seattle entertained at The Desert Inn Sunday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Maury Ginn of San Gabriel, Mrs. E. J. Brown of San Gabriel, and Mr. Robert Brown of Los Angeles.

Victory Tax Forms Going Into Mails For All Employers

There Are Juices, and Juices . . .

Some are canned, Some are a few days old. But . . . if you want

Really Fresh

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE JUICES

(Squeezed Fresh Daily)

Call At

THOMPSON'S Juice Bar

AND CANDY KITCHEN

North Palm Canyon Dr. Oposite The Desert Inn

SERVED BY THE GLASS

—or—

SOLD BY THE
PINT OR QUART
TO TAKE HOME

—Don't forget our Home-made Candies and Fresh Nuts.

The Desert Inn BEAUTY SALON Now Open

For Appointments

Under New Management
Jan De Jarno, Manager

Phone 2261

Don't Wait Till the Last Gun's Fired . . .

Buy Your Lot in El Mirador Estates
NOW. Build Later.

Raise A VICTORY Garden in the Meantime.

You Get Two Shares of Irrigation Water
With Each 110 x 135 Ft. Lot

Real Estate Is Sure to Skyrocket Before
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BARNEY JOHNSON, Real Estate Broker

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This Restaurant Recommended by Duncan Hines' Book "Adventures in Good Eating"

This Sign Is Displayed in the

VILLAGE SANDWICH SHOP CAFE

It means that regardless of meat shortages or other foods, whatever we serve is always Good and Appetizing and served as you like it.

Charles Thomas, Manager

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By Capt. Herc Ficklen

OK SOLDIERS!
Your gag may be good
enough to publish. If so,
I'll pay you \$5. Send it to
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"Do you suppose that's where they got their name?"

Churches

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST (Colored)

On Indian Reservation
Rev. W. R. Wyse, Pastor
Service at A. H. Hall

Sundays: 9:45 a. m. — Sunday school.

6:30 p. m.—Bible Class.

7:30 p. m.—Young people's Y. P. W. W.

8:00 p. m.—Preaching service.

Tuesdays at 8 p. m. — Prayer meeting.

Thursdays at 7:30 — Missionary meeting.

OUR LADY OF SOLITUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Alejo Road, West of Palm Canyon Drive

Rev. C. Norman Raley, Pastor

Masses, Sundays and holy days:

7:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a. m.

Week day mass, 8:00 a. m.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Lenten Service.

Friday, 7:30 p. m. Lenten Service.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Paul's-in-the-Desert

125 West El Alameda

Phone 8988

Sunday:

8 a. m. Holy Communion.

9:45 a. m. Sunday school.

11 a. m. Sermon and Service.

CATHEDRAL CITY COMMUNITY CHURCH

George H. Jeffery, Pastor

9:30 a. m., Sunday School.

11:00 a. m., Worship Service.

Thursday at 3 p. m.—Prayer and Bible class.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

271 Ocotillo Ave.

One Mile South of Plaza.

Sundays:

9:30 a. m.—Sunday school.

11 a. m.—Service.

Wednesdays at 8 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

The Sunday Lesson-Sermon subject in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, is "Reality." A statement of Paul to the Corinthians constitutes the Golden Text: "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him."

In Luke's Gospel it is related that a leper besought Jesus, saying,

"Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean."

Immediately the leprosy departed from him . . . and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities." Jesus' statement, as given in John, is also included: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father."

Selections from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, read: "The sick are not healed merely by declaring there is no sickness, but by knowing that there is none." "Stick to the truth of being in contradistinction to the error that life, substance, or intelligence can be in matter. Plead with an honest conviction of truth and a clear perception of the unchanging, unerring, and certain effect of divine Science. Then, if your fidelity is half equal to the truth of your plea, you will heal the sick."

Father O'Connor Is Commissioned Chaplain in Army

The Rev. Michael O'Connor, formerly pastor of Our Lady of Solitude Catholic church in Palm Springs, will leave the west coast for Cambridge, Mass., on April 1 to enter the Harvard chaplain's school. Father O'Connor recently received a commission in the army.

He volunteered some time ago for a chaplaincy in the state guard and served in that capacity for almost a year.

Father O'Connor is the fifth priest in the diocese of San Diego to be commissioned in the United States army and navy.

The 232,158 pounds of silk and nylon stockings turned in by women salvagers between December 15 and January 15 will furnish the army with over 150,000 smokeless powder bags.

Good old-fashioned soup into which everything goes except the kitchen sink is coming back into its own, according to home service authorities. As a means of stretching rationed foods and providing a simple dish that is high in protein and essential vitamins and minerals it ranks tops, they say.

The value of homemade soups from a nutritional standpoint is being stressed by the Southern California Gas Company in one of a current series of advertisements designed to assist housewives in their cooking problems under rationing.

Soup may be an appetizer or a meal in itself. Clear, highly seasoned soups are used to stimulate the appetite. Soup which is the backbone of a meal must be rich in protein. Protein foods, such as milk, cheese, meat, fish, peas and beans, help to build and repair muscles and tissues, and are necessary daily. The liquid serves as a base for vegetables, cereals and protein foods. The vegetables supply vitamins and minerals if they are added fresh and cooked in the soup until tender. The cereal may be added as a thickening agent and to make the soup more satisfying.

Seasonings are a matter of personal taste, but soups as a rule should be well seasoned. One way to be sure that you do not over-season, is to tie the spices in a cheesecloth bag and immerse them in the broth. Remove the spices after one hour of simmering.

Unless the soup is to be used immediately, it should be cooled slightly and then refrigerated.

Soup stocks don't keep for an indefinite period of time, and

should be heated to boiling temperature every two days.

Gas Company Recommends More Soups

To Stretch the Meat Supply and to Get More Protein Foods in the Diet

It's Quieter Now At Ration Board's Headquarters Here

Things are quieting down at the offices of the war price and rationing board.

The new celotex walls, designed to deaden the echoes from the many voices pleading for more gasoline, more coupons of this and that nature and asking a thousand and one assorted questions, is in place.

Besides adding an attractive note to the office they do cut down the reverberations.

TEMPERATURES

Date	Max.	Min.
March 18	75	57
March 19	73	42
March 20	80	43
March 21	82	48
March 22	77	51
March 23	80	46
March 24	88	47

BUILDING PERMITS

March 19—1395 Granvia Valmonte, Ernest A. Fasching, garage, \$200.

In The Plaza Shops

you find a friendly group of merchants.

. . . working in harmony to better serve the people of Palm Springs,

. . . in a beautiful environment that is distinctly desert,

. . . offering merchandise chosen especially for America's foremost desert resort,

. . . They are always conscious of their responsibility to the Palm Springs residents and visitors,

. . . and you are invited to drop in and see the newest and best in merchandise.

For relaxation, The Plaza Theatre offers you the maximum in comfort and enjoyment.

Desmond's Desert Store
Sales' Plaza Market
Plaza Theatre
Tweeds and Weeds
Desert Furniture Co.
Alvin Weingarten
Ransom-Cree Realty
Leron's Linens

P. S. Book Shop
Annette's Beauty Salon
Plaza Yarn Shop
Plaza Cleaners
Plaza Penthouses
Plaza Bungalows
Plaza Lodge
Greyhound Stage Depot

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Pacific Coast Representative

The New Wooden Outdoor Furniture Has Just Arrived



YELLOW CABS — PHONE 4444

Society

Jean Johnston Bride at Church Ceremony

At a simple ceremony at the Christ Episcopal church at Las Vegas on March 15, pretty Jean Johnston became the bride of Lt. Paul M. Rogers.

Mrs. Eda Johnston, mother of the bride, accompanied the couple to Las Vegas.

Following a brief honeymoon at Los Angeles, the bride returned to Palm Springs where she is teaching at the Frances Stevens school. Lt. Rogers is stationed with the army at Needles.

Chief of Torney Dental Staff Host At Dinner Affair

Wednesday evening Major and Mrs. W. L. Nielsen entertained with a dinner party at The Desert Inn. Their guests were Capt. and Mrs. F. F. Smith, Capt. and Mrs. A. C. Joackson, Capt. and Mrs. E. O. Hinman, Lt. and Mrs. L. E. Montgomery, Lt. R. L. Teege, and Miss Reta Allen. Miss Allen is the house guest of Major and Mrs. Nielsen.

Major Nielsen, chief of dental service at Torney General hospital, entertained members of the dental staff.

Former Villager Honored by Club

Honor guest at "The Little Club" luncheon given by Mrs. Fern Jones at The Desert Inn, was Mrs. Wilbur Downs of Long Beach, former Palm Springs resident.

Attending the luncheon were Mesdames Horace Pendery, Geo. Manington, Donald Lockett, Frank Schilling, Bradstreet Miller, Archie Linkletter and Frank Cutler. The luncheon was given Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Entertain at Inn

Thursday evening found the H. P. Coopers of Santa Monica entertaining at The Desert Inn for Mr. and Mrs. Arch Wilson of Youngstown, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hay, of radio fame.

Mr. Hay is spending much time in Palm Springs since his radio schedule has been rearranged and takes part in many activities in the desert town.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Monroe of Wilmette, Illinois, entertained for Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gibbs at The Desert Inn Saturday evening.

Pay Telephone Bills before the 30th and receive your discount.

YELLOW CABS — PHONE 4444

Mrs. Anita Walton Guest of Honor at Delightful Affair

Mrs. Ona Brown was hostess one day last week at a charmingly appointed luncheon around the pool at the Colonial House in honor of Mrs. Anita Walton of New York and Florida, who is wintering in Palm Springs.

Besides the honoree, guests invited by Mrs. Brown to the delightful affair were Mrs. J. Darlene Lloyd, Mrs. Frank Davis, Mrs. Zadie Bunker, Mrs. Earl E. Gibbs, Mrs. William (Diane) Powell, Mrs. Samuel Taylor, Mrs. Kenneth Kirk, Mrs. Lew Cohen, Mrs. Dorothy Grey, Mrs. William Majow, Mrs. Upman Bigelow, Mrs. Noble Banks, Mrs. C. Williams, Miss Virginia Henry, Mrs. Grace Henry, Mrs. Harry Hanbury, Mrs. Caroline Brock, Mrs. Frederick Rose, Mrs. George Roberson, Mrs. Jacqueline Ames, Mrs. Dora Mints, Mrs. Claire Windsor, Mrs. Arthur Frost, Jr., Mrs. Oliver Rousseau, Mrs. Evelyn Metria, Mrs. Alton Collins, Mrs. Janice Cauthorn, Mrs. C. Bond, aunt of William Powell and William Powell's mother.

Mrs. Howard Flint Honored Guest at Luncheon Affair

Tuesday Mrs. Thomas O'Donnell entertained in honor of Mrs. Howard Flint. A beautifully appointed luncheon was served on the wistaria decorated porch of the O'Donnell home, followed by bridge.

Guests who attended were Mesdames F. R. Dravo, W. A. Luce, James E. Brown, George L. Collard, Giles Whiting, L. S. De Graff, Upman Bigelow, Noble Banks, Henry P. Williams, George Roberson, Ralph H. Clock, Humphrey Birge, H. G. Carnell, Casper Clarke.

Visit Here Over Weekend

Weekend house guests at the home of Mrs. Stewart Morgan, were her two sisters, Miss Allene Rowan and Mrs. Maxine Arnold and daughter Janet.

All three are living in Manhattan Beach and returned to their homes Monday.

Head of Big Copper Company Entertains

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hobbins of New York City entertained at The Desert Inn Friday evening for Mr. and Mrs. John E. Corlette of Butte, Montana, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Corlette, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Weed.

Mr. Hobbins is president of the Anaconda Copper Mining company.

U-DRIVE CARS — PHONE 4444

Washington Couple Guests of Honor At Sunday Dinner

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dodge of Washington, D. C., Colonel and Mrs. M. A. Seigner entertained at The Desert Inn Saturday evening.

Guests included Colonel and Mrs. A. B. Jones, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Henry Murphy, Lt. Col. Montgomery Blair, Jr., Lt. Col. and Mrs. Meredith Beaver, Lt. Col. William Sheehan, Major F. H. Mistretta, Mr. and Mrs. Philip L. Boyd, Miss Christine Herman, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Deroo, and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Schwab. Mr. and Mrs. Dodge are house guests of Col. and Mrs. Selinger.

L. E. DeGraff Are Hosts at Party for Mr. and Mrs. Flint

At The Desert Inn Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. L. E. DeGraff entertained with a cocktail party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Flint.

Those who attended are guests at the Inn and included Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Donnell, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. Casper Clarke, Mr. C. H. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Collard, Mrs. F. R. Dravo, Dr. W. Y. Cocken, Jr., Mrs. James E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Cook, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mrs. H. G. Carnell, Mrs. W. A. Luce, Mrs. Giles Whiting and Dr. W. W. Lermann.

Honored on Sixteenth Birthday

To honor the sixteenth birthday of their daughter Helen Louise, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Williams entertained with a birthday dinner at the del Tahquitz Hotel Saturday evening.

Present were school friends of Helen Louise including Jeanne Martineau, Donna Crockett, Helene Hanbury, Carolyn Purcell, Marian Hohl, Elsa Kofeldt, Patty King and Barbara Knowles.

Also John Outcault, Jack Hoover, Bill Gilbert, Richard Heise, Bill Bradford, John Ryan, John Downs, Clarence Nicholson and Al Adolph.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodge Hosts at Desert Inn

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dodge entertained at The Desert Inn.

Among the guests were Colonel and Mrs. A. B. Jones, Colonel and Mrs. Maurice A. Selinger, Col.

and Mrs. Montgomery Blair, Jr., Major F. H. Mistretta, Capt. and Mrs. Abbott Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hogan, Miss Eunice Hippert, Mrs. Noble Banks, Mrs. Henry P. Williams.

RESIDENCE IS SOLD

In another Palm Springs sale, the residence owned by Mrs. Estella Snyder of Crawfordsville, Indiana, on Merito place between Prescott drive and Mission road was purchased by the Natt McDougal company of Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. Grace M. Ward of Palm Springs bought the residence at 363 Mel avenue from Mrs. Frances F. Wilson.

Dr. William W. Lermann, prominent physician in Pittsburgh, has arrived at The Desert Inn for a well deserved vacation.

**★ What You Buy With
WAR BONDS ★**

Nurse that heating plant along for it must do you for the duration. Metal . . . every bit we can rake and scrape up is going into War Production to provide the tools for our Boys on the fighting fronts.

Household NEEDS

SWEETHEART
Toilet Soap . . . 3 reg. 20¢
De Luxe Bath Size—2 for 21c

A&P BRAND
Matches . . . 6 boxes 25¢

QUEEN ANNE
Facial Tissues 500-sheet package 18¢

WHITE SAIL
Laundry Soap . . . 3 bars 13¢

WHITE SAIL
Floating Soap . . . 3 bars 13¢

Miscellaneous

SULTANA
Peanut Butter . . . 1-lb. jar 27¢

ANN PAGE
Olive Oil . . . ½-pint 45¢

ANN PAGE SEMOLINA
Macaroni . . . 7-oz. pkg. 5¢

ANN PAGE SEMOLINA
Spaghetti . . . 1-lb. pkg. 11¢

ANN PAGE
Egg Noodles . . . 4-oz. pkg. 6¢

ROEDING
Black Figs . . . 12-oz. pkg. 15¢

Mrs. Wilbur Downs Honored Guest at Delightful Affairs

Mrs. Wilbur Downs of Long Beach, who with her son, John, is visiting in Palm Springs, has been the recipient of many lovely parties in the past week. Mrs. Downs, wife of Judge Wilbur Downs, is a former Villager.

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Archie Linkletter invited a number of friends, with Mrs. Downs as honor guest, to a chicken dinner.

On Tuesday, Mrs. Gordon Nicholson honored Mrs. Downs by entertaining the two clubs, of which the honoree was a former member, with a beautifully appointed tea. Decorations were in spring flowers. The invited guests, besides the honoree, were Mesdames Donald Lockett, Frank Cutler, Frank Schilling, Archie Linkletter, Fern Jones, Bradstreet Miller, George Manington, Horace Pendery, Guy Pinney, Merrill Crockett, John Sprague, John Williams, Bill Hay, Alma Gilbert.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Downs invited the same group to a luncheon at the Del Tahquitz hotel with bridge being enjoyed in the afternoon.

Five Palm Springs Residences Change Hands This Week

Real estate activity in Palm Springs was brisk last week with five important sales recorded at the county court house in Riverside.

One of the most important transactions was the one in which Mr. and Mrs. Frederick D. Burnham acquired the former Charles D. Farrell property at 625 Granvia Valmonte. The property is located at the southeast corner of Granvia Valmonte and Via Miraleste.

BEACH COUPLE BUYS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hopkins of Balboa purchased a residence from Mr. and Mrs. George Housman at the corner of Santa Rosa drive and Patencio road.

Deeds in both of the above sales were filed by the Security Title Insurance and Guarantee company.

The Riverside Title company filed three deeds during the week involving Palm Springs residential property.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graham acquired the residence of the late Mrs. Theresa A. Hicks on Camino Del Sur between Camino Del Centro and Camino Del Mirasol.

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Cereals

GERBER'S
Baby Cereal . . . 8-oz. pkg. 15¢

SUNNYFIELD ASSORTED
Cereals . . . 10 individual packages 20¢

SUNNYFIELD QUICK
Rolled Oats . . . large pkg. 19¢

Baking NEEDS

ACE HI ENRICHED
Flour . . . No. 10 sack 49¢

GOLD MEDAL ENRICHED
Flour . . . No. 10 sack 55¢

DRIFTED SNOW ENRICHED
Flour . . . No. 5 sack 28¢

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Gardening Crew At Torney Creates Colorful Setting

The flowers that bloom in the Spring, tra la—

If you are one of those privileged to stroll in the court of the Torney General hospital, you'll see them.

Under direction of Major Chaceeney W. Scoville, of the engineering corps, Head Gardener Charles Blacklaw and his crew of assistants have not only preserved all of the beauty of the place when it was the El Mirador hotel but have added new beauty. The court is a mass of color these days, providing an ideal setting for the convalescents.

Austin McManus has donated several Cottonwood trees which are being planted on the grounds and other trees are being added and transplanted to add to the restfulness and the shade for the relaxation of the patients.

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Bungalow, including Duplex. Both furnished. Offers home and income. Bungalow vacant; to give immediate possession. \$12,500. Excellent income.

About one half cash will handle.

Prices are advancing daily. Investments of this type are getting scarcer and scarcer. We suggest that you look into this offering at once.

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The Plaza
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Pat Mutascio Now On Projection Job

Pat Mutascio is now projectionist at the Palm Springs theater, Earl Strode, owner and operator of the theater and the Plaza theater, announced this week.

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A&P FOOD STORES

OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO.

BUY WITH CONFIDENCE! Est. 1859

Rationing or No Rationing... Saving Money is Still Important!

When point rationing was announced your A&P Food Market made special efforts to stock its shelves with a wide variety of rationed items in various sizes, grades and prices. You're sure to find a wide choice of foods for your coupons at A&P . . . at worthwhile savings, too! And that's not all: Our splendid selection of fresh fruits and vegetables enables you to save your coupons for many foods not available in fresh form! Make this simple shopping rule: Shop at your A&P Food Market for all your food needs stopping at our Fruit and Vegetable Department first!

GRAPEFRIUT ARIZONA (64's) Vitamins B+, C++ . . . each 4¢

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With the Boys in the Service

FERRYING COMMAND NEWS NOTES

459th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron, Ferrying Division, Air Transport Command, Municipal Airport, Palm Springs

JUST IMAGINE

You men who from time to time have tilted an interested ear to remarks that the army might furlough men to work on farms might well do with some deep thought on an ironic observation passed on that topic by the Los Angeles Daily News.

Said the News, in almost these words, just imagine getting a furlough to work on a farm and then coming back to camp to peel the potatoes you've just raised.

We only mention this to show, using the words of the composer fellow, that "There Are Such Things" worse than confining your vegetation acquaintanceship to mesquite and cactus.

NON-COMS ELECT

The non-coms met beside the festive board the other eve, with the principal chore of the evening being the election of a new president and a new directorate for the coming four months. The new proxy is Sgt. Arthur Podway, a good soldier and a gentleman of rare talent in organization work. We have tipped our hat to him several times before for his work in creating the post's bowling league and we feel that the non-coms can safely know in advance that he'll continue to pilot them in the same capable fashion as outgoing president T-Sgt. Sid E. Homan.

His directorate is composed of men of ability, who are:

T-Sgt. Richard P. Callan, T-Sgt. Joseph Cavallo, M-Sgt. Leo McInave, Cpl. Vincent E. Thomas, T-Sgt. William G. Sallis, T-Sgt. Sid E. Homan, Sgt. William Bloodworth and Sgt. Harry Jones.

Remaining in the secretarial and treasurer berths are Acting 1st-Sgt. Burt O. Randall and Sgt. Archibald MacDonald, two men whose performances in those offices have been commendable.

SHIFTING SANDS

Nature's still in a prankish mood, which makes our problem of doing a good job here not so much a question of getting our feet on the ground—but in keep-

Lt. Florian G. Boyd At Texas Naval Base

Lieut. Florian G. Boyd, well known Palm Springs civic worker who left Palm Springs late last year to join the United States Navy, is now stationed at the naval air station at Kingsville, Texas, according to word received this week by Mrs. Boyd.

After completing the officers' training course at Quonset Point, Rhode Island, Lieut. Boyd was transferred to Corpus Christi, Texas and after a short time there, was sent to his present post.

Bill Lux Now With Air Corps in Florida

Bill Lux, Palm Springs policeman who was granted a leave of absence several weeks ago to join the U. S. Army, is now stationed with the army air force at Miami Beach, Florida, according to word received by Mrs. Lux last week.

Because of his training here, he is a member of the military police at the Florida post.

Three Villagers Off To Join U. S. Army

Three Palm Springs youths were included in a group of 49 selectees which left the bus depot at Indio Wednesday night for the Los Angeles army induction station.

Among the group boarding the stages were Frederick J. Coble, Joseph D. Felix and Archie V. Linkletter, Jr.

Cadet Owen Coffman In Village on Visit

Owen Coffman, son of Earl Coffman of The Desert Inn, was in Palm Springs last week on a brief visit with his father and to greet old friends.

Young Coffman is a flying cadet at Cal-Aero aviation academy at Ontario.

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Staff Sgt. Samuel R. Adams, Aer.

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chorage, Alaska.

John A. Adams,

Warren Axheim, Cathedral City.

Fred S. Ayala, Army Air Corps.

Archie Bagwell, Army Air Corps.

Delbert Bailey, Navy.

Sgt. Leonard Bailey, Army.

Harold Barkow, Army.

Edward Bedwell

S/Sgt. George E. Bell, Army Air

Force

Lt. Frank Bennett, Army.

Blake Bevill, Army

John Bigham, Army.

Lt. Frank Bogart, Navy

Dominic Berta, Navy, San Diego

Lt. Wm. D. Boggess, Army.

Barney Bourne, Navy.

John Briggs Bosworth, Army.

Lt. Florian Boyd, Navy.

Lt. Com. Thales S. Boyd, Navy.

Lt. Harold A. Brown, Army.

Leonard R. Bryant, Cathedral

City, Navy.

Lt. W. R. Buckley, Army.

George Burt, Army Air Corps.

Earl Burris, Army.

Emilio B. Camaddo, Cathedral

City, Army.

Don Cameron, Army.

Clifford E. Campbell, Army.

Rex Colbert, Army.

Ben J. Cox, Navy.

Lt. John Porter Clark, Army.

William Clark, Navy.

Sgt. Henry Campbell, Army Air

Corps.

Wesley D. Combest, Army.

Floyd R. Craft, Army.

Bob Candelaria, Army, Ft. Rose-

crans, San Diego.

Charles Castro, Army.

Lt. Fred P. Clatworthy, Jr., Army

Walter Coglanier, Navy.

Cadet Owen Coffman, Army Air

Force.

Jim Colley, Army.

John Collins, Navy.

Stanley S. Craig, Navy.

PFC Richard Craig, Army.

Lt. Charles "Buster" Cruncleton,

Army Air Force

Noble Curtis, Navy.

John Curry, Navy.

Ensign James Cutler, Navy.

Graydon Dailey, Navy.

Frank Dapron, Army, March

Field.

Arnie Davis, Army.

Stanley Davies, Army.

Rupert Denier, Army.

J. F. Denier, Jr., Army

Carl Derbonne, Army.

Jack Dobbs, Army, March Field.

1st. Lieut. J. H. Downey, Army

Air Corps.

Ed Dudley, Army.

Willard Echelman, Army.

Herman Ellman, Army.

Frank W. Evans, Navy.

V. Lee Evitts, Army

George Fairley, Marines.

Roman Falcon, Navy.

David Farkas.

Lt. Charles Farrell, Navy.

Gordon Feekings, Army

Joe Felix, Jr., Army

Cpl. Joseph F. Filz, Cathedral

City, Army Air Force.

Max Finnican, Navy.

Bill Foldesy, Army.

Herbert H. Foster, Jr., Army Air

Corps.

Jack Freeman, Army.

Hy Freeman, Army.

PFC. Armin S. Fritsch, Army.

Harry Gaffin, Army.

Guy Gage, Merchant Marine

Doc Gallman, Army.

Joe Galianese.

Alfonso Galego, Army.

Sgt. Joseph Georgeton, Army.

Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.

Lloyd Gauff, Army.

Frank P. Gaultello, Army Air

Corps.

Cpl. Alfred Gardello, Army Air

Force.

Donald Geggie, Army.

Lee Gilbert, Army Air Force

Ralph Gilmore, Navy.

Bill Gibbs, U. S. Coast Guard.

PFC Richard F. Gill, Marines

Dawson Goff, Army.

L. E. Vaughan, Mrs. Marion

Poole, Miss Edith Kieck, Mrs.

Kennedy, Mrs. Betty Glasgow,

Miss K. Wilson, Miss Margaret

Gibbons, Mrs. Edna Stuebings,

Mrs. Lenore Gustlin, Miss Helen

McCallum, Miss Marion Kuhn, Mrs. Dorothy Schmuckner, Mrs. Sue Margaret Taylor, Mrs. Harold Hanson, Mrs. Ida Garland, Violet Fowler, Mrs. Maurice Libbott, Mrs. Paul Frost, Mrs. Douglas Fuller, Mrs. Ellen Biavaschi, Mrs. E. E. Hoppe, Mrs. L. E. Vaughan, Mrs. Marion Poole, Miss Edith Kieck, Mrs. Mary Stone, Miss Ruth Aschroft, Mrs. N. O. Turner, Mrs. Addie Giffard, Mrs. Joe Bird, Mrs. Norman Bell, Mrs. Perle Foy, Mrs. Berne Doro, Mrs. Neva Hill, Mrs. Paul Grimm, Mrs. Dorothy Connell, Mrs. Lillian Johnston, Mrs. M. Barkow, Mrs. Rosalie Weber, Mrs. Arline Reel, Mrs. Ellis Gotthebeut, Mrs. Alice Thompson.

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Lt. Col. C. E. Peeler, Army.
Charles Peebles.
Major Frank Pershing, Army.
Robert W. Peterson, Navy.
Joseph Porino, Army.
Warren Pinney, Jr., Navy.
William Prendergast, Army.
Joe Prieto, Navy.
Noel Ramsland, Army.
Major Robert Ransom, Army
Air Force
Cadet Keith A. Rapp, Army Air
Force
Ted Reed, Jr., Army Air Corps.
Harry Reid, Jr., Army Air Corps.
Geo. O. Relf, Jr., Navy.
Wm. F. Relf, Navy.
John S. Redding, Navy.
Cpl. Alfred Reynolds, Army.
Lt. Morris F. Richards, Navy
Charles Riley, Navy.
Harold Roach, Army Air Corps.
Kid Roberts, Army.
Glen Rogers, Army.
Joe L. Rosenquist, Navy.
Joe Rothstein, Jr., Navy.
Sgt. Robert J. Rowan, Army.
Edgar Rushing, Army.
Wm. E. Ryan, Jr., Navy.
Gerald K. Sanborn, Navy.
Sid Sanard, Marines.
Herbert Samson, Army.
Bert Sanard, Army Air Force.
Herbert Scarborough, Army.
Ed Schechter, Army.
Raymond Sorum, Jr., Navy
Eugene Schimdt, Army.
Al Scriven, Navy.
Dale Shelby, Navy.
John Scott, Army.
Gerald Shill, Army Air Force.
Sgt. R. Lowell Slack, Army.
George J. (Pancho) Shultz, Army.
John W. Simon, Army.
Ceasar Spearman, Army.
Capt. P. A. Staley, Army.
Preben Steffensen, Army Air
Force
Hubert Steinbusch, Army.
Al Simone Jr., Army.
Lt. Jacques Simon, Army Air
Force
Elmer Sisk, Army.
Lloyd Mason Smith, Army.
Lt. Frank L. Smithwick, Army.
Lt. Vincent J. Smithwick, Army.
Lt. Michael H. Smithwick, Army.
Cris Soto, Marines.
Arbin H. Sullivan, Army.
Bird Summers, Army, Alaska.
Major Frederick M. Sperry, Staff
Officer with U. S. Foreign
Service, England.
Bob Steffey, Navy.
Dale Stoner, Navy.
Ray Swanson, Army.
2nd Lt. Ronald M. Swart, Army.
Elmer Taunton, Army.
1st Lt. George Taggart, Army.
Steve Talvera, Army.
Staff Sgt. Sandy Terlin, Marines.
J. Tennyson, U.S.M.C.
Cpl. Walter Testa, Army.
Edmond J. Thayer, Merchant
Marine
Lt. Albert Thompson, Army Air
Force<br

Sports

Radio Five Clings To Narrow Lead in Air Base Bowling

Radio continues to hold its narrow margin at the top of the ladder in the team standings of the Enlisted Men's bowling league of the Palm Springs unit of the California Group of the Ferrying Division, Air Transport Command. With 18 wins against six setbacks, Radio is pressed by Cooks, who own 17 wins against seven losses.

Radio can improve its position greatly in next week's matches inasmuch as it opposes fourth-place Transportation while Cooks and No. 459, the third-placer, are at each other's throats for second place.

TIED FOR TOP

Pvt. John Gilgut and Cpl. William Smith continue to be deadlocked in the race for individual scoring honors with an average of 161 pins apiece. Gilgut's mark, however, has been sustained for three games more than Smith has rolled. Tied for third place are Pts. Rudolph Mora and R. D. Porter with 160. Other leading scorers are Cpl. George Sixbury, 159; Pvt. Henry Schleiner, 157; Pts. Jack Smith and Charles Tastor, 156; Pts. Harry Adasigwicz and Joseph Stanszak, 153.

GAMES NEXT WEEK

Next week's schedule is Utilities vs. No. 14; Hot Shots vs. NCO's; No. 459 vs. Cooks and Transportation vs. Radio.

Team Standings:

Team	W	L	Pct.
Radio	18	6	.750
Cooks	17	7	.708
No. 459	16	8	.666
Transportation	14	10	.585
No. 14	10	14	.416
Hot Shots	10	14	.416
Utilities	9	15	.375
NCO's	2	22	.083

Hotshots Move Up To Second Spot in Hot Bowling Race

Leaders in the Torney General Hospital Officers' league held their respective positions as both won one and lost two games last week but Simonson's Hotshots, who a few weeks ago were in the league cellar, moved up into a tie for second place and were only two games out of first place this week.

The Davis Boys continued to lead the loop although losing to Hendrix Recruits 1 to 2. The Davis Boys bowled over 2288 pins to the Recruits 2233 but they didn't come to life until they had dropped the first two games. Ward's Wonders, in second place, also dropped two out of three, bowing to the Barr Flies. The Hotshots moved into a tie with Ward's Wonders by trimming the Rutan Walkers 3 to 0, incidentally rolling high series of the evening—2577.

The standing this week end:

	W	L	Pct.	
Davis Boys	26	13	.666	
Ward's Wonders	24	15	.615	
Simonson's	Hotshots	24	15	.615
Daily's Patients	19	20	.487	
Barr Flies	18	21	.461	
Hendrix Rec'ts.	17	22	.435	
Randalls Fin'rs	16	23	.410	
Rutan Walkers	12	27	.307	

Howard Hill Dolls Up Police Station

Howard Hill, member of the Palm Springs police force, now on night duty, has been improving the midnights hours—and also the police station.

When things are quiet in the dead of night, Hill has been getting in some good licks with a paint brush, repainting the floor of the headquarters from one end to the other.

Ensign H. F. Shultz Visits Family Here

Ensign Hamer F. Shultz, USN, was in Palm Springs last week to visit his wife and two sons. He is stationed at San Diego.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Curtis of Santa Monica are spending their honeymoon at The Desert Inn. She is the former Mary Hammond, daughter of Mrs. Laura Hammond of Santa Monica.

Wide Open Spaces and Fair Weather Swell That Baseball Urge at Air Base

One of the advantages of being on the desert is that there are plenty of those wide open spaces on which to play ball, and more often than not, Old Man Weather smiles pleasantly on you when that horse-hide urge arises.

As a result the soft-ball and base-ball activity among the ferrying command personnel in Palm Springs is bouncing swiftly along. Twelve teams began regularly scheduled play in one league this week. Other leagues are being formed from the men who are now doing their "spring training."

PLAN CRACK TEAMS

Eventually Lt. Warren E. Bear, the athletic and recreation officer, and Sgt. William Vastena, who is helping in the organizational work, hope to pick a few crack teams from the men at large to represent the Post against outside competition.

Both baseball and soft-ball teams are planned, and with the cooperation of Capt. Terry Hunt and Lt. William Novak, the athletic officers in Long Beach, it is hoped to keep the intra-post and outside competition of an interesting enough nature to keep the play going at fever-heat, not desert heat, through early fall.

FUN—AND HEALTH

Although the season is growing late for bowling, the struggle for

Enlisted Men Win Over Officers in Hot Baseball Game

In a practice game played at the Ferrying Command base here a team of Enlisted Men defeated an Officer team by a score of 18 to 17.

Manager Mariano Maragioglio's Enlisted Men pushed across the winning tally in their half of the ninth on Pvt. Vincent Mahoney's double and Pvt. Raymond Lawton's sizzling single over first, which scored Mahoney.

The score:

Officers 301 100 336—17
Enlisted Men 004 254 111—18

Batteries: Wilkins, Anthis and Berkowitz; Base and Mahoney.

Three Squads Tied For Lead in Close TGH Bowling League

Three squads were tied for the lead in the Torney Hospital Bowling league at the end of the third series and only two points separated the top and bottom teams, so close has been the play since the loop started rolling.

McNab still topped individual averages with a mark of 161 while White and Pennington were tied for second with 158 each. Priddy was third with 151 and Carr fourth with 148.

Standing of the teams this week:

	W	L	Pct.
Registrars	7	5	.583
Personnel	7	5	.583
Dental Clinic	7	5	.583
R and R	6	6	.500
Headquarters	6	6	.500
First Sergeants	5	7	.416
Provost Sergeants	5	7	.416
Supply	5	7	.416

W. L. Cooke Urges Villagers to Order Easter Flowers Now

W. L. Cooke, Palm Springs Florist, is making a sensible suggestion in an advertisement in this issue of The Desert Sun. He advises the public to order their Easter flowers and plants now and thus avoid the necessity to use the telegraph or long distance telephone on Easter or a few days before.

The government, as well as the telegraph and telephone companies have repeatedly asked the public to use these methods of communication only when necessary in order to keep the lines open for the army.

Mr. Cooke has two flower shops in Palm Springs, and both are members of the Florists' Telegraph Delivery Association.

Luncheon guests from San Bernardino at The Desert Inn were Miss Ann Carroll and Mrs. D. J. Cushing with Misses Mary Lou and Katherine E. Moran of Detroit. The Misses Moran are house guests of Mrs. Cushing.



Blessed Event at Araby Stables Has All Hands Excited

There was a blessed event out at the Araby stables this week.

It was the safe arrival via the equine stork route of a pure-bred Palamino.

The filly is a lively one and according to Betty Billington, manager of the Araby stables, something to behold. Both papa and mama are pure-bred Palaminos, making the arrival rather an evenful one.

Mrs. Charles Cruncleton has prepared a regular baby greeting card to send to Ted C. Buck of Indio, owner of the colt's sire. The filly has been named Golden Flash.

As they put it in a daily paper popular among followers of horses of another color, the filly is "Gallant Chief out of Flash by King."

Home to Visit Parents

Miss Marian Williams is spending the weekend here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams.

Here with her is Miss Patricia Sullwold of Beverly Hills. Both young ladies are attending Pomona College.

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YOU'RE IN THE ARMY NOW

By Capt. Herc Ficklen



ARMY MEN!
Do you know a good gag?
If it's good enough I'll pay
you \$5. Send it to me at
this newspaper.

"He's an old billiard champion—he always marks up the Japs he gets!"

Thursday at luncheon Mrs. H.

B. Agnew entertained Mrs. C. A. Hayward and Mrs. F. E. Earle from Glendale. They lunched at The Desert Inn.

Helping Sidney Franklin cele-

Mrs. Clifford S. Heinz of Pittsburgh and Mrs. Giles Whit-

ing

of Scarborough, New York,

entertained at The Desert Inn

Wednesday evening in honor of

Dr. W. W. Lermann and Mr. Wil-

liam York Cocken, Jr., both of

Pittsburgh. Other guests present

were Mr. and Mrs. George L. Col-

lard of Pittsburgh and Mr. and

Mrs. Carl De Laitre.

Soft Ball League Gets Under Way At Air Base Here

Soft-ball play in the officers' division of the Ferrying Command's league got underway this week with team 459 hammering out a 12 to 8 victory over team 14. Both clubs are in the Palm Springs unit of the California Group of the Ferrying Division, Air Transport Command.

The winning team found the range of the opposing pitchers in the late innings to rap out the verdict. Long distance belting honors of the game, however, went to Lts. George Bush and Boyd Van Metre of the losing team, when each drove a ball far into the outer wastes for home runs.

The score: 14 311 201 0—8
459 030 423 x—12

Batteries: Wilkins, Hopkins and Berkowitz; Bittle; Ullrich, Armoska and Armoska, McCurdy.

SPEND WEEK HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Rowan of Sunland are spending the week here with Mr. Rowan's sister, Mrs. Stewart M. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis William Magin of Detroit, Mich., are among the prominent guests at The Desert Inn. (He is president of the Square D company in Detroit).

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Presidential Campaign Pre-view

President Roosevelt's new cradle-to-the-grave program of social security and proposed blueprint of a post-war America in which the government would vastly expand its sphere of activity and become an active "partner" in business and industry—irrespective of what action Congress may take with regard to it—has provided a pre-view of the 1944 presidential campaign of the utmost clarity and significance.

The social and economic implications of the revolutionary program are no more far-reaching than its political implications, for while the plan, at least in theory, would "guarantee" every man, woman and child in the Nation against economic distress in old age, in sickness and in periods of unemployment, it would frankly seek to achieve this Utopian objective by means of a super-government reaching into and controlling nearly every field of human activity.

As a consequence, the basic issue of the 1944 campaign for President has been clearly defined. The people will be asked to choose between a super-state and private enterprise. For a greater measure of economic security, Mr. Roosevelt's program proposes that the people do with a lesser amount of control over their own affairs and their own earnings. The Republicans undoubtedly will accept that challenge and champion individual initiative and private enterprise against the theory of a master-state, charging that the price of security, under such conditions, will be liberty.

Regardless of partisan considerations, the approaching campaign will probably overshadow in fundamental importance any other presidential campaign in the Nation's history.

Americans Like the Truth

Labor today is the most powerful single group in the nation. It can make or break the war effort. Labor leaders, by demanding their pound of flesh during the emergency, can bring disastrous inflation which would wipe out a half century of labor gains, together with the savings and standards of living of every man, woman and child in the country.

Is it any wonder that Captain Eddie Rickenbacker has asked labor to make sacrifices along with the rest of us, forego extravagant overtime demands, help to protect the working rights of men returning from war, cease disruptive jurisdictional strife and make-work tactics; are these things too much to ask of labor at a time when the country is fighting for its very life?

The public agrees heart and soul with every word that Rickenbacker has uttered. Those who attempt to discredit him as a labor hater, will hurt labor, because the words he has spoken were born when he was very near to death. Men near death think and speak the truth. And Americans like to hear the truth, no matter how unpleasant.

State Food Crisis

"I don't propose to be in conflict with the federal government on California's critical food and manpower situation, but I do propose to have the state act independently as far as it can to protect its citizens." So declared Governor Earl Warren recently—and plucked the tuning fork for a swelling symphony of legislative protest against federal inaction on the food front.

With meat supplies already dwindled to a point where vital war workers are insufficiently fed, and with the farm labor shortage becoming increasingly serious as the season progresses, California is beginning to feel that its contribution to the war effort is far from appreciated by Washington agencies with jurisdiction over those twin problems.

Whether federal inaction is due to "total lack of understanding of Western problems" as the Governor believes, or simply to gross incapacity to handle the situation, California is grateful and relieved to see that its representatives at Sacramento are alert to the difficulties and appear to know how to solve them. Senator George Hatfield of Merced County heads a committee which already has come up with some practical recommendations on the farm man-power situation. Assemblyman Lee T. Bashore of Los Angeles has gone so far as to propose to "disregard the OPA and do our best to feed the people of this State ourselves."

The vigorous and aggressive action of the Governor and of the Legislature to avert a calamity which could easily affect our whole war effort disastrously, is to be commended by the entire State.



SLAPPED—Here's a highpoint in "7 Miles From Alcatraz" with Bonita Granville and James Craig, an RKO picture at the Palm Springs theater April 2 and 3.

"I Rise to Remark"

By CONGRESSMAN JOHN PHILLIPS

The discussion of Lend-Lease continues. In last week's column, I remarked that published figures for appropriations for this program were shown as 18 billions in all. I offered to add them up to 58 billions.

You add them for yourselves. First L-L appropriation, 7 billions; second, 6 billions (I'm only giving round figures); third, about 5½ billions; that makes the \$18,410,000,000 usually announced.

Now add to that, from the War Department, the following "transfers"; third supplemental, 2 billions; fourth supplemental, 4 billions; fifth supplemental, 11½ billions; sixth supplemental, 2½ billions; and to this add a transfer from the Military Appropriation Act of 1943 of almost 13 billions; and a "second supplemental" transfer from the Navy Department, of 3 billions, plus transfers from other departments of 800 millions, and we already have an additional 36 billions, approximately.

Then add the values of "ships which may be leased" from the Maritime Commission for 5 billions, and from the Navy, listed as "no limitation as to amount," and you'll see that my estimate of the cost of L-L as 58 billions was perhaps not the top.

The money itself is not the issue. What I want John Q. Public to say, when he sits down at the table with Mary Public, and John junior, and little Molly, and the baby, Ezekial (who was named after the rich uncle in Montana, the one who owns the big ranch and has no children of his own) is this, "Well, Mary, I see they've loaned the allies another \$2,030 of our money." For every time Congress, or any administrative agency, to which we have given such power, spends or gives away or loans a billion dollars, it means \$7 to every man, woman and child in the United States, or \$35 to the average family of five.

When the Congress accepted and approved a Federal budget of 109 billions for 1943, it meant \$3,815 out of the pockets of every such average family.

Finally, there are two paragraphs in the Act, and the supplementary agreements with our allies, with which you may not be personally familiar.

In the Act, Section 3, subsection (b) reads as follows:

"The terms and conditions upon which any such foreign government receives aid authorized under subsection (a) shall be those which the President deems satisfactory, and the benefit to the United States may be payment or repayment in kind or property, or any other direct or indirect benefit which the President deems satisfactory."

I rise to remark that this is putting plenty of power in one man's hands. It means that in the post-war negotiations, and arrangements, the President of the United States, whoever he may then be, will have the sole and exclusive authority, to settle all debts, to arrange trade treaties, to do anything which he and he alone "deems satisfactory." And if you disagree that this is in anyone's mind, let me call your attention to the fact that the word "deems" is a broader and less confining word than "finds," for "finds" would have to be supported by evidence of some kind, and the Congressional Record carries the statements of men who sat in the original conferences on the wording of the Act, that the word "deems" was insisted upon at that time.

Finally, read with me Article VII of any one of the agreements, which support the Act. I will take the one with the U. S. S. R. (Russia) for that is printed in the booklet before me.

"In the final determination of the benefits to be provided to the United States of America by the Government of the Union of So-

Desert Flowers to Be in Bloom Here Soon Is Forecast

According to Chester C. (Slim) Moorten of the Museo del Desierto, there'll be wild flowers covering the desert floor in and around Palm Springs in a week or so.

Moorten said today that the flowers are already in evidence down Indio way and will be out here soon.

Several of the cactus plants at his museum are now in bloom and plants in the desert area are also showing the signs of spring.

employment, and the exchange and consumption of goods, which are the material foundations of the liberty and welfare of all peoples; to the elimination of all forms of discriminatory treatment in international commerce, and to the reduction of tariffs and other trade barriers; and, in general, to the attainment of all the economic objectives set forth in the Joint Declaration made on August 14, 1941, by the President of the United States of America and the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, the basic principles of which were adhered to by the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on September 24, 1941."

Who is to speak for the protection of the farms of America? Who is to speak in defense of the standards of living of the people of the United States? I want the farmers of the United States to read carefully that Article. So far has the Congress of the United States surrendered its power and the future of the people, into the hands of the Administrative arm of government.

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Miss Ina Hinnens Becomes Bride of Lieut. J. S. Sickler

In the first wedding ceremony to be celebrated in the new post chapel at Torney General Hospital, Miss Ina Hinnens, well known Villager, last night became the bride of Lieut. Joseph S. Sickler.

All of the impressiveness and color of a military wedding pre-

vailed.

Miss Hinnens is widely known here where she has made her home for some time. Lieut. Sickler is postal officer at Torney. He is a former New Jersey state senator and is postmaster at Salem, New Jersey, now on leave of absence for military duties.

FILE INTENT NOTICE

A notice of intention to wed was filed Wednesday at the Riverside county court house by Eugene Bolle, 21, of Palm Springs and Shirley Jean Holmes, 21, of Detroit, Michigan.

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"Real estate is the foundation of all that is good and a foundation from which we build our security and wealth," he said.

The pioneer pegged down his tent on American soil and it became his domain, he was an owner of land and its development gave him the thing he needed in life. He had foresight. This land may well be the city of Los Angeles—or New York—it may be Riverside and it could also be this fast-growing Palm Springs, now a city.

"There is no possible chance of land deterioration in California. A lot, an acre or a townsite will grow and become valuable if you will give it a little time. If you want to add to all that, that health should also enter into the picture, you may well consider Palm Springs."

"When the sun does set beyond the horizon, it still lingers in your home in the desert."

ANNIVERSARIES

When I had lived in wedded bliss
For thirty days with you,
I hoped that special days like this
Would mark each new month,
too.
We've watched the years all come
and go,
But my wish still comes true;
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know
How glad I am for you.

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And here's assurance of warm lounging robes for every member of your family. The War Production Board has lifted its restriction against the use of any wool in the manufacture of bathrobes, house coats, negligees, lounging robes and pajamas.

Lend-lease supplies other than construction materials received from the British government by the United States forces in England from May to November 1942 would have taken more ship tons to transport than were delivered by all the shipyards in the country during the month of December, 1942.



U. S. Marine Corps Photos

Horse Marines, famous in play and song for nearly three centuries, today are performing important duties in the Pacific war zone. The detachment shown at upper right, receiving instructions from Platoon Sergeant Gordon Poling of Oklahoma City, is commanded by Lieutenant Colonel J. C. Donahoo, Jr. The mounted Marine at upper left patrols inland area of a Pacific island while his partner, lower right, guards a portion of the island's rocky beach. Other mounted detachments of U. S. Marines today are serving in widely scattered areas of the world. Like all Leathernecks, members of mounted detachments are rifle and pistol experts.

In the Lighter Vein

His Secret

Although Thomas Edison's numerous inventions were a blessing to his fellowmen, they were sometimes the opposite to him. One day, while busy at his desk, Edison was interrupted by an energetic book salesman who had managed to get into the lab. Edison wasn't interested in the books but the salesman spoke so persuasively that the inventor finally wound up by buying the volumes.

"Where did you learn to speak so convincingly?" asked the inventor.

"Oh, we learn all our speeches at the home office," explained the salesman, "by listening to the phonograph." — Milwaukee Journal.

Yoo-hoo, Lafayette. We're over here in Africa.

It's a Good Reason

E. H. Sothern, the famous Shakespearean actor, was dining at the original Delmonico restaurant in New York. Delmonico's at the time was The eating place, frequented by world famous epicures. Complaints about the food were unheard of.

On this night, however, Sothern was definitely displeased with the soup. When the steaming broth was placed before him, he stared at it haughtily and pushed it aside.

"Waiter!" he cried in his best Shakespearean manner. "I cannot eat this soup!"

The waiter apologized and brought him another bowlful. Still Sothern was dissatisfied. The waiter shrugged his shoulders and called the headwaiter. The latter personally supervised the pouring of a third plate of soup. But Sothern was not mollified. He still protested that he could not eat it. In desperation, the headwaiter summoned Mr. Delmonico himself.

Delmonico, a proud restaurateur, was extremely touchy about reflections on his cuisine.

"What is this I hear?" he demanded. "Why can't you eat my soup?"

Sothern eyed him with a look of cold dignity. "Because," he icily explained, "I have no spoon!"

It is estimated that one cent added to the price of every barrel of crude oil would add \$14 millions a year to the nation's fuel bill.

Andrew Carnegie was once asked by a reporter what he considered most important in industry: capital, labor or brains? With a laugh the steel magnate replied: "Which is the most important leg of a three-legged stool?" — Central New York Purchaser.

On This Side . . .

(Continued from page 1)
mous difference in the moral and human tone of our society in the future, of the very atmosphere of which the peace is made and of all civilization after the war." . . . Take your choice.

DOLLED UP — The barbers should change that sign they display in an effort to get you to shoot the works. The way tonsorial prices are going up they had better say: "It costs more to have that well-groomed look."

In San Francisco shaves are now 50¢ and haircuts 75¢. A move to raise hair cuts to \$1.00 was voted down. . . . Remember when you could get a hair-cut and shave for 40¢? . . . Most men say that in a home-shave, it isn't the razor that counts — it's the way you lather the face. . . . And I know one man who has made morning shaving a game instead of a chore. He plays "razor golf" — setting the par for his face at 100 strokes. So far, his shaving is like his golf — well over par.

SPRING — At 5:03 a.m. Sunday morning, Spring — gentle spring they call it — arrived, but because of the army's 24-hour ban on weather news, nobody was told about it until Monday morning. . . . Anyway, it was a nice day here although up in the Pass and on the coast, they were experiencing one of those "unusual" low fogs. . . . With the arrival of spring, it is interesting to note that nine out of ten people quoting that old line about "In Spring, a young man's fancy turns lightly to thoughts of love." Leave out the "lightly". . . . Seems to me, that's pretty important. He can't be serious about it.

WAR DEPT' — In England, where they've been at war a little longer than we have, officials and church heads are beginning to worry about the zooming divorce rate. Seems that, with papa away, and mama working, she meets new boy friends and pretty quick marital relations change to martial relations — there's a war on. Over here, the trend isn't as noticeable yet but they're keeping an eye on it. . . . Says my statistical friend: "On the average blonds have 140,000 hairs, brunets, 1,000,000." But, boy how the blondes make up for that deficiency in quantity!

PROSPERITY — Palm Springs' cocktail lounges must be doing all right. According to the Master Plan booklet submitted to city council last week, postal receipts here were up \$7,000 between 1938 and 1940, electrical meters jumped a hundred, telephone connections gained 200—but water consumption dropped off a half million cubic feet. . . . Well, there's one thing to be thankful for," said a Villager this week. "Now, I don't have to worry which side my bread is buttered on. That freeze order caught us without a bit in the house." . . . Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown, who put the freeze on butter, didn't consult his wife first. After he had issued the order, his wife told him there wasn't a dab in the house. "But there's some jam," she said. So he's eating jam until March 29. . . . And he's in a jam at home.

Money is circulating freely now. When a person gets hold of a dollar he dashes right out and spends it before a tax collector can catch him with it.

Party Honors Vermont Visitor

At a beautifully appointed party today at the Tennis Club, Mrs. W. G. Cronk entertained for Mrs. Lawrence of Vermont who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John S. Upham.

Among the invited guests were Mrs. C. H. White, Mrs. A. B. Jones, Mrs. James O'Reilly, Mrs. W. L. Fagg, Mrs. Robert Young and her mother, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Houseman, Mrs. Donald S. Lockett, Mrs. Austin McManus, Mrs. R. Knowles and Mrs. C. S. Henderson.

OPEN FORUM

THE EFFICACY OF PRAYER

What thou thinkest, belong to all. What thou feelst, is thine only. If thou wouldest make Him thine own,

Feel thou the God whom Thou thinkest.—

Schiller.

Observing the World Day of Prayer we are reminded that it has been said that many of us do not take our religion very seriously; that we have the habit of leaving most of our piety behind us when we depart from church services on Sunday, and of not giving it much thought throughout the week, until with renewed fervor we return to worship on the following Sabbath.

Oftimes too, attention wanders from the service or sermon, tho' following the ritual with the correct responses, while mayhap engaged in appraising the latest styles in head gear, as did the poet Robert Burns, in the verse: "O, would some gift the gods might gie us—"

I can recall as a child keeping one eye on the clock when family prayers were in order during the Lenten season, if stormy weather prevented driving some distance to church service.

Captain Rickenbacker and his companions learned the power of earnest prayer that went up to the Almighty during those days of suffering, adrift on the lone waters of the vast Pacific—that brought relief.

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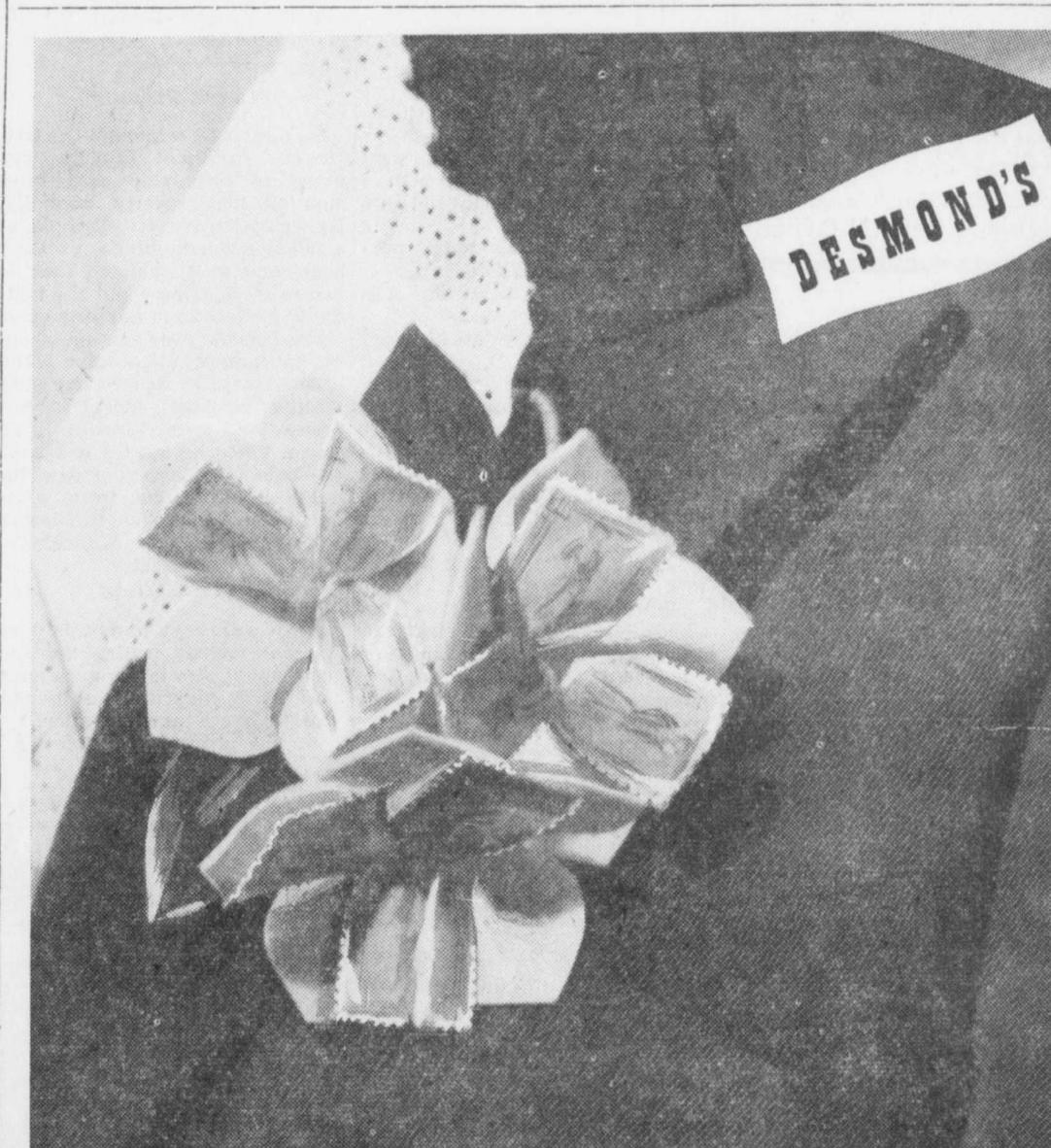
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Leathernecks Close Another Chapter



After five months of continuous fighting, U. S. Marines have been relieved at Guadalcanal Island, which they seized and held during an offensive which began August 7. Photo at left is scene of Tenaru River battle where heavy fighting occurred. At right (top) are Marine Corps leaders conferring before Leathernecks launched first United Nations offensive in Pacific. They are, left to right, Maj. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, Lt. Col. Gerald C. Thomas, Lt. Col. Randolph M. Pate, Col. Frank B. Goettge (killed in action) and Col. William C. James. Airplane photo shows landing boats carrying Marines to Florida Island during first stages of campaign. Second airplane view shows Tulagi Island as U. S. planes launched attack. In lower photo members of a Marine Corps unit display Japanese flag captured at Guadalcanal.

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Cathedral City

W. R. HILLERY

Talked this week with Mrs. Rose McKinney of Palm Springs about her boys who are scattered over the world as a result of this war. When she mentioned the fact that one was in Alaska it just tied in with a talk I had earlier in the day with Arch Mills, who has lived in Cathedral City for many years and who is planning on going to the far north immediately if certain formalities can be arranged.

How many are interested in that great country now I do not know, but many will be when the boys return from service or construction work. This week a letter from my brother tells me this winter has been one of the most severe in many years and he has been there forty-odd now. To conserve on travel he took his vacation at Teneke Hot Springs, about ninety miles west of the territorial capital. He reports the snow so deep in the mountains about the springs the deer, which are not of our educated park variety, came down to the settlement and hung around the cabins begging for food. The usual animal food lacking, many of the bipeds shared their bread with quadrupeds. Interesting.

Army officers and men come and go. Many of them depart as friends whom we will miss and hope that under different circumstances will return to our desert. Such a couple are Major and Mrs. Charles J. Perry, who have been with us many months and are now being transferred to Camp Campbell. Major Perry has been most agreeable and helpful to us uninitiated civilians in smoothing the way to a sympathetic understanding of our joint problems.

Mrs. Perry will be much missed here, especially by the Observation Post, for she not only volunteered as an observer, but took several shifts each week. We hope the fortunes of war will permit their return to us. To list all the army women who have

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By Capt. Herc Ficklen



Supervisors Ask Dr. Gardner To Resign

Following the reading of a letter from the county medical board asking appointment of Dr. W. E. Gardner, now medical superintendent of the county hospital on a part-time basis, as full time head of the institution, the board of supervisors at their regular meeting, Monday, voted to ask Dr. Gardner to resign not later than next Monday, effective April 1. Thus adding another chapter to the rather stormy history of the institution.

Supervisor Robert E. Dillon of this district made the motion to ask for the resignation. It was seconded by Supervisor Floyd Gilmore of Hemet. Supervisors Ed Hill and Walter V. Pittman of Riverside cast negative votes and chairman Ralph W. Stanfield of Corona, cast the deciding affirmative vote.

Chairman Stanfield, defending his support of the motion, spoke of "friction between the two departments" at the hospital. "The continual wrangling with the county welfare department and with other departments is uncalled for," he said.

SOLVING FUEL PROBLEM

One day, on the street, Clyde Fitch, the noted playwright, encountered a young colleague who had just been conferring with a theatrical manager about his new play.

"Well, what are your prospects?" inquired Fitch.

"Rather poor, I'm afraid," was the dejected reply.

"Why do you say that?" asked Fitch.

"Well," said the young playwright, "we had been talking for about an hour, when the manager remarked, 'Don't you think it's getting a little chilly in here?' I replied that I thought it was. And do you know what that manager did?"

"No," said Fitch, "but I'd like to know."

"He called in his butler," replied the young playwright, his voice quivering with emotion, "and said, 'James, this room is rather cold. You may put three more manuscripts on the fire!'"

With planes by hundreds passing over nightly, neutral Switzerland would like to compare notes with some American family that lives above a bowling alley.

Valued Property

No matter how humble the possession, Abraham Lincoln was proud of ownership and safeguarded his property carefully. He was attentive, for example, to a faded green umbrella, its knob gone, and so dilapidated that he had to tie a string about the middle to keep it from flapping open.

His friends, ever anxious about his appearance, might have found it convenient to replace the worn weather guardian, except for one precaution that Lincoln had taken. When he opened it against the rain one day, they saw the crude lettering, cut from white muslin and sewed on the inside. It spelled out, "A. Lincoln." — Wall Street Journal.

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Highly Successful Clinics Staged at Health Center Here

Two highly successful clinics were held Monday and Tuesday of this week at the Health Center, 299 East Amado road. Mrs. Madge Holderman, public health nurse, said today.

At Monday's pre-natal clinic, six more joined those who have been attending for some time and at Tuesday's child health conference more than 90 youngsters were examined.

Dr. Mildred Van Cleve, county pediatrician, was in charge of both clinics.

Noted Washington Lawyer Visits Here En Route to East

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. McLaren of Seattle are stopping at The Desert Inn before Mr. McLaren travels to Chicago as a delegate from Washington to the American Bar association meeting to be held beginning March 29. The meeting is being held to keep in touch with war activity and important among problems to be discussed is post war planning.

Mr. McLaren is former president of the Washington State Bar association, former member of Board of Governors of American Bar association for Ninth Circuit, former president of the Seattle Bar association, is a delegate to the American Bar association in which capacity he is

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Mervyn LeRoy, who is a guest at The Desert Inn while working with Sidney Franklin on the script of "Madame Curie," has great plans for the production in educational value.

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LeRoy will direct the Sidney Franklin production.

LeRoy is the director of the Coordinators Office of Inter-American Affairs, the Nelson Rockefeller Foundation project. This government appointment requires much of his time. He is also vice president of the Hollywood canteen and active in China relief.

Leron, Inc., Will Remain Short Time Longer, Decision

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Meyer, local dealers for Leron, Inc., of Fifth Avenue, New York, located in the Plaza between Desmond's and Sale's Plaza Market, have decided to remain a short while longer, due to the requests from friends and customers. They will identify the public through the columns of The Desert Sun a week before they leave.

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HOME IN THE JUNGLE—U. S. soldiers, somewhere in Australia, take time out from fighting to listen to one of their favorite American radio programs. These shortwave programs are made possible through the efforts of the American Red Cross, the Office of War Information and the Special Services Branch of the Army.

TORNEY HOSPITAL RED CROSS NOTES

A welcome addition to the Red Cross recreation staff at Torney General Hospital is Miss Barbara Fowler who arrived this week from Washington, D. C., where she has been training. Miss Fowler is a resident of Santa Barbara and attended Scripps College where she majored in art. Hospital experience gained as a volunteer worker at Hoff General Hospital in Santa Barbara fits Miss Fowler for her work at Torney where she will assist in the craft program which is one of the important features of the Red Cross recreation program at the hospital. She will work with Miss Estelle Booth and Mrs. Ruth Hurd who have been supervising a schedule of medically approved recreations for the patients.

MARCH PARTY

Third in the series of monthly birthday parties was held for patients Thursday, March 25. All of the patients having birthdays during the month were honored guests at the affair which was in charge of a committee of the Hospital and Recreation Corps. Fortune telling again proved one of the popular pastimes of the afternoon with entertainment by Ruby and his orchestra, Connie Barleau and Aggie Auld from the Colonial House. Cakes were contributed by Mrs. J. E. French.

Mrs. Merrill Crockett was chairman of the birthday party committee and was assisted by Mrs. C. S. Henderson, Mrs. H. Earl Hoover and Mrs. J. Beatty McCullough.

NEW FURNITURE

New rattan furniture in the lounge of the Recreation Building at the hospital has added a bright note to the room used for reading, music, crafts, and games by the patients. Bright upholstery and colorful rugs make the room a pleasant spot in which the men can spend their afternoons and evenings. The furniture was provided by the American National Red Cross. This is in accord with the agreement this organization has made with

Schedules For Your Convenience

MAIL SCHEDULE

Post office at 174 North Palm Canyon Drive. R. M. Gorham, postmaster.

Outbound mail closes on Weekdays at 11:00 a. m., 5:00 p. m., 8 p. m. On Sundays at 5 p. m.

Incoming mail distributed on weekdays at 8 a. m., 3 p. m., On Sundays at 4 p. m.

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BUS SCHEDULE

Greyhound depot at The Plaza and Indian avenue. R. R. Dunlap, agent.

Eastbound
Leave Los Angeles: 9:30 a. m.; 12:30 p. m.; 3:30 p. m.

Arrive Palm Springs: 2:22 p. m.; 4:55 p. m.; 8:19 p. m.

Westbound

Leave Palm Springs: 1:19 a. m.; 4:39 a. m.; 1:49 p. m.; 6:14 p. m.

Arrive Los Angeles: 5:00 a. m.; 9:30 a. m.; 6:05 p. m.; 10:45 p. m.

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Welwood Murray Memorial Library, Dorothy L. Bear, librarian, 100 South Palm Canyon Drive.

Daily except Sunday 10 to 12 a. m., 1 to 5 p. m.

Monday and Wednesday evenings, 7 to 9 p. m.

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Westbound trains pass Palm Springs depot at 7:06 a. m., 7:24 a. m., 2:06 p. m., 6:38 p. m. arriving in Los Angeles approximately four hours later.

Eastbound trains arrive here at 12:08 p. m., 8:29 p. m., 10:18 p. m. and 12:17 a. m.

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Palm Springs Desert Museum, Inc., Sam D. Hinton, director. East wing of library building. Admission free.

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Museum to Start Night Showing of Films on April 2

Friday and Saturday evening, April 2 and 3, will mark the inauguration of night "movies" to be shown under the sponsorship of Professor and Mrs. T. D. A. Cockerell of the Desert Museum. The pictures, pertaining to natural history subjects, are to be shown at 8 p. m. in a room adjoining the Stephen Willard photographic studios. The room has been made available to the Museum through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Willard.

Motion pictures of this nature, but restricted to desert subjects, have already been presented in the Museum itself each schoolday afternoon, except Monday, from 2:30 to 3:45, and these will be maintained in the new "projection room" as well as the night showings.

SCORES ATTEND

Literally scores of children have enjoyed these free "shows" for the brief period in which they have been given thus far, and Professor and Mrs. Cockerell are highly gratified at the attendance. It is pointed out that, since the motion pictures are presented by Mrs. Cockerell herself, they will in no way conflict with the operation of the Desert Museum, which continues its customary schedule under the direction of Professor Cockerell.

The hope has been expressed that members and friends of the museum will be able to loan some chairs for use in the "projection room" for the two-month period to come.

CHAIRS NEEDED

These will be essential if the audience at the showings is to enjoy any degree of comfort; at present, the younger members of the group are obliged to sit on the floor. All donations of chairs may be brought directly to the Desert Museum, where they will be gratefully received. They will, of course, be returned at the conclusion of the series of presentations.

No charge is made for admission to any of the afternoon or evening showings, and the public is cordially invited to attend, with the assurance that they will view some of the finest examples of Natural History motion pictures ever to be filmed.

Desmonds Display Beautiful New War Stamp Corsage

Coupling patriotism with beauty, a new Lilly Dache corsage is being displayed at Desmonds' Palm Springs store this week and should soon be the fashion for the lapsels of women who are smart.

The corsage consists of nine war stamps encased in sparkling cellophane and sells for \$1. It presents a beautiful appearance and at the same time aids in the war effort.

Larry Shultz, manager of the shop, predicts that this new corsage soon will be the thing here as it is in Hollywood and Los Angeles.

General White and Family Guests Here

General and Mrs. C. H. White of Fort Lewis, Washington, and their son, are spending a vacation in Palm Springs, staying at the Sunshine court.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

Many of the women of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps are already overseas serving in various capacities to help win the war. The WAACs go through a strenuous training to fit them for the arduous duties they must perform.

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WAAC UNIFORM

A uniform for a WAAC, complete, costs approximately \$170.00. The quartermaster's department must provide thousands of them. Your purchase of War Bonds helps pay for these uniforms. Invest at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds every payday through a Payroll Savings plan at your office or factory.

U. S. Treasury Department

Meat Rationing Time Table Given Out by Lippman

William A. Lippman, chairman of the local war price and rationing board, Wednesday of this week, issued a time table for Palm Springs housewives, listing important dates in the meat rationing program starting March 29, next Monday. The schedule:

March 29—Housewives begin surrendering red point stamps for the meats, butters, fats and other rationed products in this program which they buy. Red "A" stamps, (16 points) good during first week.

March 29 to April 10—Institutional users get point allotments from local war price and rationing board. Institutional users register with boards during same period.

April 11—Retailers begin surrendering points in their purchase of rationed items.

April 25 to May 1—Allowable inventories of retailers based on sale, in points, during this week.

May 1—Retailers take point inventory at close of business on May 1.

May 3 to May 14—Retailers register with local boards and get allowable point inventories.

Candidates for Auxiliary Traffic Policemen Sought

Earl E. Gibbs, civilian defense director for Palm Springs, this week was asked by Donald W. McCollum, chairman of the Riverside county defense council to aid in the selection of men to serve as auxiliary highway patrolmen.

McCollum stated that the auxiliary is being organized by the California Highway Patrol for the effective control of traffic on highways in and around cities under emergency conditions. This group will also concern itself with evacuation problems.

Each council in the county has been requested to submit three names to the county civilian defense headquarters from which one man will be selected for auxiliary patrol duty, McCollum said.

Begonias Presented To Torney Hospital

A gift of a dozen pots of begonia plants from Mr. and Mrs. C. Neel of Palm Springs has brought cheer to many ward patients at Torney General Hospital according to Miss Ruth E. Thomas, Red Cross Field Director.

The plants were distributed to the wards by the Red Cross Hospital and Recreation Corps.

For a change from the snow and ice that prevail at their home in winter, Mr. and Mrs. Rideout spent three months in Palm Springs. They had their house trailer at Taylor's Trailer park where they soaked up a lot of the desert sunshine.

Rideout spent most of his vacation here, which came to an end yesterday, reading all of the books he could lay his hands on,

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Palm Springs High To Be Represented At Legion State

Stanton Griffing, representing the Palm Springs post of the American Legion, informed the school office Tuesday that California "Boy State" will be held June 16 to 23 at the Grant Union High school, at North Sacramento, California. Only one Junior boy will be chosen this year to represent P. S. H. S. Last year four delegates were sent from the local high school.

The Juniors will nominate three boys to represent their class from which number one will be chosen by the faculty of P. S. H. S. to be sent, expenses paid, to California Boy State.

The name of the winner will not be announced until Commencement, when a spokesman from the American Legion will make known his name.

Plans are now being made for the formation of a "Boy Nation," provided certain transportation difficulties can be overcome. These plans would make it possible for boys from all states to assemble in Washington, D. C., and become better acquainted with American government. If, and when, a "Boy Nation" is held, five boys would be chosen to represent the state of California in such a national conference.

Re-Union Planned After More Than Year's Separation

Down at the Tahquitz Inn, 124 East Arenas road, there was a lot of excitement Tuesday evening. There will be more of the same this weekend.

For on Tuesday word was received by Mrs. Maurice C. Boles that her husband had been commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States army that day and that he expected to be in Palm Springs Sunday.

FIRST TIME IN YEARS

When he arrives it will be the first time he will see his mother, Mrs. E. Carey Boles, proprietor of the Inn, for several years and the first time he will see his wife and son, Larry, and his sister, Mrs. E. Gwynn Jones, in a year and one month.

Lieut. Jones enlisted as a voluntary candidate for Officers' Candidate School in Honolulu, T. H., six months ago. He was in business there when the Japanese struck at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

HEADING WESTWARD

He was sent to Fort Monmouth, N. J., for training and successfully completed his course Tuesday, departing for the coast Wednesday, for the planned reunion with his family.

His wife and son and Mrs. Jones, who were also in the Hawaiians when Pearl Harbor was attacked, left there a year ago last month for the mainland and have been at the Tahquitz Inn with Mrs. Boles for many months.

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Palm Springs High School Smoke Signal

Beaumont Cougars Bow to Indians in Hot Baseball Game

BY HERB LIENAU

In a thrill-packed game played last Friday at Palm Springs the Palm Springs Indians pounded out a 6-3 victory over the Beaumont Cougars. This was the first time since the beginning of the baseball rivalry between Beaumont and Palm Springs, that the Indians have come out on top of Beaumont in baseball.

Until the second half of the third inning, the Cougars constantly pushed the Indians and when the Palm Springs nine took their turn at bat in the third frame, the Cougars were leading 2-0. The Indian's first score came in the third inning when Herb Lienau, P. S. right fielder, drove a single down third base line and got on base due to an error by the Beaumont third sacker.

Lienau stole second and third bases and scored when Art Jurado drove a single down to second base.

In the fourth inning the Indians started a rally, and it was in this inning that the game was won. Captain Joe Sandeffer was walked to first and scored when Gabrielson slammed a hit out into center field. With Gabrielson on second, Lienau then smashed a long home run out over the left fielder's head. Gabrielson scored and as Lienau crossed the plate the Indians went ahead 4-2.

In the fifth inning the Indians were still going strong and added two more runs to their credit. In this frame both Sandeffer and Jurado crossed home plate to make the count 6-2.

The sixth frame the Cougars tried to close the gap in their score which resulted in one run, but their efforts died there and the Indians held them for the rest of the game.

The excitement in the Indians dressing room after the game was dulled somewhat by the knowledge that they were losing one of their best players, Don Gabrielson, who came to Palm Springs several weeks ago from Burlingame. He announced before the game that he was returning to Burlingame. Gabrielson, a Junior, made many sensational catches and stops during the game and pulled the Indians out of the mud several times by his quick thinking and excellent playing.

Gabrielson will be sorely missed by the Indians and will be very hard to replace. Although he will not be around the diamond anymore, Don Gabrielson stayed at Palm Springs long enough to aid the Indians in defeating their rivals from Beaumont. The Indians wish Don the best of luck at Burlingame and there is no one on the team who doubts his success there.

Prominent Seattle Man Is Guest Here On Vacation Tour

C. H. Clarke, prominent Desert Inn guest from Seattle, has been joined by his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Casper W. Clarke, for a much-needed vacation in the desert atmosphere.

Casper Clarke is Executive Vice-President of the Pacific National Bank in Seattle and is the chairman of the Transit Commission of Seattle. Mrs. Clarke is active in the Volunteer Service of the American Red Cross in Seattle.

Mrs. Ralph Sturkie Now at Police Desk

Mrs. Elizabeth Shultz, who has been day-time desk sergeant and secretary to Chief of Police Lyle J. Sanard at the Palm Springs police headquarters for the past two months, has resigned because of lack of time to give to the position.

Her place at the desk is being taken by Mrs. Ralph Sturkie.

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May We Introduce....

This week we present a bouncing Freshman lad, aged 15. Height, 5'8 1/2".

Weight—130 pounds (my but he's husky).

Hair—a beautiful yellow color.

Eyes—sky blue (?).

Born—in the charming town of Fargo, North Dakota, August 25, 1927.

He's nuts about aviation, camping, and just "horsin' around" (as do all the Freshman fellows).

He dislikes — Spanish, "some girls" and washing dishes (he has a terrible fear of developing "dish-pan" hands—so do I kid!).

He pals with—Rookies like Gilmar Boyd, John Wilson ("the artest") and Alan Anderson.

His nickname is "Kennedy."

Now we "favoritize": Foods—thick steaks—shrimp—and desserts; record—"I've Heard That Song Before" (by Harry James); band—Kay Kyser; sport—football (and how!); and pastime—hiking around.

His love life: boils down to "none in particular."

His most outstanding characteristic is speaking in "loud" tones.

Wants to meet—Kay Kyser (if he does have a "crush" on the guys, doesn't he?).

Remarks—A sincere little guy with a smiling face and personality extraordinary.

May we introduce—Don Kennedy.

—Marti Robinson

Editorial . . .

TWO HEARTS BEAT IN THREE-QUARTER TIME

Do you want bigger and better school dances? Then you had better show your interest in these social affairs now.

Last Saturday evening there was a very special dance at the high school for which a six piece army band furnished the music. These excellent and entertaining musicians came a long way to play this dance for us, and they came without any thought of receiving pay.

That they put on a super program was heartily attested by those students who attended the dance Saturday evening. The dance was a big success—for those who were there.

For those who were there. That is where the rub comes in. For the first hour of the dance there were more musicians and officers present than there were dancers on the floor, and at no time during the evening did the number of dancing couples exceed 25.

It must have been very discouraging to our guests musicians to have such a poor turnout. Those present, of course, were most vociferous in their applause for the band's efforts, but the point is that the dance would have been more successful had the crowd been larger.

Do we really want more dances? Do we want recreation building for our own social affairs? Are we justified in asking for more social and recreational opportunities? The response to the unusually fine opportunity for clean pleasure and entertainment last Saturday evening would seem to indicate that we don't make use of the opportunities we now have.

Another dance is scheduled Friday, the last for several weeks. If we like dances, let's show our pleasure by attending them when they are given under school auspices. Either that, or we should stop crying about an expanded recreation program.

JACK HOOVER

There have been rumors around school that the boys and girls of our high school do not appreciate the dances that are given. That is a rumor that is as false as a horse with wings.

The students do appreciate the dances that are given and they would attend them if they knew they were being given. Lack of advertisement is the main explanation for lack of attendance.

Last Saturday evening the Sophomore class gave a dance, and they were lucky enough to have an orchestra for it. Two notices were sent through the school bulletin concerning the dance, and that, aside from a late

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Gilbert to Meet Redlands Youth in Zone Competition

Bill Gilbert, winner of the Lions' Club zone speech contest, will compete with the winner of another zone, comprising Redlands, San Bernardino, Riverside, and Colton, at a contest to be held at Hotel Banning at 7:15 p. m. Tuesday, March 30. The competitor is a student in Redlands high school.

The subject of this State-wide speech contest is "After the War —What?" This contest to be held is the third from the finals. A conference contest follows this and then come the finals, which will be held in Santa Barbara in June.

The winner of the contest is awarded a scholarship of \$350 to any college he wishes to attend.

In previous years, Palm Springs

has had a comparatively high record, having succeeded in sending representatives to Regional contests twice before.

Dr. Webb Speaker At Torney Hospital On World Affairs

(BY NORMA WEBB)

The second in a series of four lectures relating to the theme, "Danger Zones on War Fronts,"

William A. Lippman, chairman of the Palm Springs War Price and Rationing board, Thursday of this week announced that the Price Control Panel of the board, of which Lloyd Simon is chairman, will meet every Wednesday from 3 to 4 p. m.

Any Palm Springs merchants or individuals who have complaints may register them at this time.

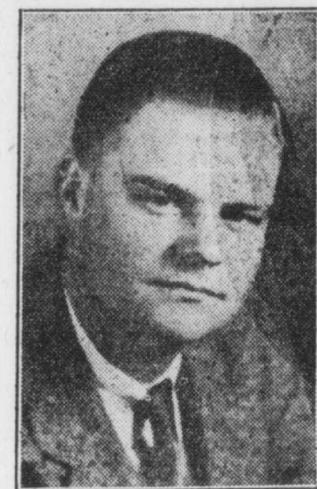
Mr. Simon, chairman, and the volunteer workers on the panel, will at this time, act on any or all suggestions or complaints.

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DR. ROBERT W. WEBB

was presented by Dr. Robert W. Webb Thursday, March 25, at 3:30 p. m. at the Torney General hospital auditorium. His subject, "Strategic Materials: The Hot Spot of Total War," was one of current interest to all.

Dr. Webb, assistant professor of geology at U. C. L. A., received his Ph. D. at the California Institute of Technology. He has taught at U. C. L. A. since 1932. He is the author of many authoritative books and articles and is a fellow, Geological Association of America. He has recently visited every state in the west, procuring candidates for the U. S. Army Meteorological training program.

The attendance at the first meeting in the series, held a week ago, exceeded the 300 mark.

Captain George C. Daily is in charge of these meetings, which are sponsored by P. S. U. H. S. district.

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THE REMEDY: Suspend California's stringent "Full Crew Law" during the War Emergency.

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Like most other industries the railroads are short of manpower, and unfortunately many freight trains were delayed in California last year for lack of brakemen.

As an example of delays, one California railroad alone had 226 trains delayed from 15 minutes to 22 hours during a ten day period in October, for lack of brakemen.

Other roads had similar difficulties in meeting their wartime responsibility. As our war effort is increased, particularly on the West Coast, the railroads will have more and more passengers and freight to carry. 1943 will exceed 1942 in train movements.

An important factor in the shortage of brakemen in California is the California "Full Crew Law," which specifies the number of brakemen on trains according to their length and the grades on which the trains operate.

There are only 14 states out of the 48 which have "Full Crew Laws" and California's law is the most restrictive, burdensome and stringent of them all. Many freight trains carry double

the number of brakemen required or used in any other state of the Union.

The California railroads, therefore, are asking the California legislature to suspend the provisions of the law requiring more than two brakemen per train. They ask this suspension for the period of the war emergency only.

The California "Full Crew Law" was passed way back in 1911 and the California railroads contend that there are no reasons now for the excessive number of brakemen required by the California law. And brakemen will still have plenty of employment, for during the war emergency there will be no necessity to "make work

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FOR SALE — PATIO FURNITURE, metal table, 4 chairs and redwood wheel table. Like new. Murphy, corner Chino Canyon Road and Vista Drive, Little Tuscan subdivision. S34p

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For Rent-Furnished

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms. 180 N. Indian Ave., Palm Springs.

FOR RENT — Nicely furnished small cottage. \$60 monthly or \$50 by the year. 1054 Tamarisk Road. S34p

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FOR RENT—Modern 4 room, furnished, downstairs apartment and garage. Will be vacant April 1. Adults, rent reasonable. Also upper apartment with garage, vacant June 1. 1042 California Ave. Beaumont, Calif. S34p

FOR RENT — Small furnished apartment. Refrigeration. Reasonable. Inquire Araby Stables, phone 5424.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished 2-bedroom home. Close to Torney Hospital. Suitable for couple; reasonable rent for permanent party. Prefer Torney officer and wife. Home available April 1. Apply Desert Sun, 359 N. Palm Canyon Dr. Please do not phone.

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PUBLIC STENOGRAPHER — Alice Caine Parry, 344 N. Palm Canyon Drive. Phone 6666. S28tf

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HELP WANTED — Cashier and sales people. Desmonds, Palm Springs.

HELP WANTED — Reliable lady to care for 2 year old child during day. Must have own transportation. Congenial surroundings. Phone 3021. S33p

PALM SPRINGS EMPLOYMENT AGENCY, 135 E. Andreas Rd., Phone 6966. S9tf

HELP WANTED

COUPLE for Assistant manager of Auto Court. Man for gardening and general work. Woman maid work, etc. Salary \$125 per month. Give experience, qualification on Application. P. O. Box 117, Banning, Calif.

HELP WANTED — LADY for office work, experience not necessary. Full or part time. Phone 3021.

LAUNDRY HELP WANTED — 65¢ an hour; wringer man, \$40 week. Desert Hand Laundry, Palm Springs.

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WANTED — To rent a piano. Mrs. A. E. Tucker, 322 No. Indian Ave. S34p

Lost

LOST — Black Scottie, Sunday, March 21. Reward. Phone 9110. S34p

LOST — Lady's white gold Elgin watch. Oblong, 26 small diamonds, 14 kt. case. Miss E. Taylor, c/o House of Murphy. Reward. S34p

Wanted Coolers

COOLERS WANTED — Address 312 Overlook Rd., Palm Springs

WANTED-Real Estate

WANTED TO BUY — Small house on deeded lot within walking distance. Write P. O. Box 632, Palm Springs. S34p

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF ANNUAL STOCK-HOLDERS' MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the Palm Springs Water Company will be held at the principal place of business, named above, at 10 o'clock A. M. on Monday the 5th day of April, 1943, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of all other business that may properly come before said meeting.

JOHN P. HOLDITCH Secretary

Publish March 26; April 2, 1943.

THE POLITICAL SHOWMAN

The story is told of a visit paid by a delegation from Kansas to Theodore Roosevelt at Oyster Bay.

They were met by the President, whose coat and collar were off.

"Ah, gentlemen," he said, mopping his brow, "I'm delighted to see you, Dee-lighted. But I'm very busy putting in my hay just now. Come down to the barn and we'll talk things over while I work."

The delegation was agreeable, so the host and his visitors wended their way barnward. On reaching their destination, no hay was found waiting to be thrown into the mow.

"James!" shouted the President, calling to his hired man up in the loft, "where is all the hay?"

"I'm sorry, sir," admitted James, "but I just ain't had time to throw it back since you threw it up for yesterday's delegation."

LEASE LAND

The first task was the leasing or obtaining of rights of trespass over a vast area extending from north of Needles to Yuma. When this was finished, the army was ready to start installations for a theater of operations in every way similar to an actual theater of operations in a foreign country.

From Sparda eastward to about half way between the Colorado river and Phoenix, Arizona, must be considered as a theater of operations, for this is the way the army has set it up, with a combat zone with headquarters at Camp Young and a zone of communications with headquarters in the MWD building in Banning.

COMMANDER AT YOUNG

Major General W. H. Walker at Camp Young is in supreme command over the entire theater of operations with Col. Joseph B. Sweet under him as commanding officer of the zone of communications.

The functions of the communications zone, both here and in actual combat, include procurement, storage, and issue of supplies and materials of all kinds; transportation of supplies and troops; establishment and operation of repair shops, depots for replacements and casualties, rest camps, leave and quartering areas; establishment of training centers; reception, care and disposition of salvage; evacuation and hospitalization of casualties; operation and maintenance of railroads and other means of transportation; construction work such as roads, railroads and buildings; control of traffic, handling mail and censorship; control of civic population in friendly territory; the administration of military government in



WARNING—Johnny Weissmuller warns Johnny (Boy) Sheffield not to awaken Frances Gifford, the Pagan Princess in "Tarzan Triumphs" at the Palm Springs theater March 28 to 30.

Communications Center Has Important Part in War Training Program

When it was first learned that the army was intending to establish a training center on the desert east of Palm Springs, some natives scornfully remarked, "Now isn't that just like some of the big-wigs in Washington. I bet some of them took a map of the United States, looked for a wide open space with no towns to interfere with their maneuvers, found the Colorado desert and said, 'That's it.' I would like to see their faces when they behold their new training ground for the first time."

Now it seems that the natives were right about officials scanning a map, but they were wrong about the red faces the first time the officials saw the spot they had selected. They knew what it was like.

LOOK FOR BIGGEST

Army officials were looking for an area bigger than any other training center it had ever had before, in fact, one that would compare in size with some of the areas where the war department knew they would have to send armories. The desert lands of California answered this requirement and one that was even more important—climate and terrain similar to northern Africa. The Mojave and Colorado deserts have the advantage for training purposes of a climate that is actually hotter than northern Africa. They do have the disadvantage of more vegetation which makes it unnecessary for camouflage units to use every bit of their ingenuity to make army equipment look "like it ain't as" required in the barren desert wastes of northern Africa.

The object of the war department in establishing such a training center was to give the military personnel training under conditions as near as possible to those with which they would have to cope in a foreign theater and to make certain the men would be physically able to stand the strain of combat in such excessive temperatures. The press reports of the work of the men, who have already gone to Africa, prove the wisdom of the plan.

Twenty tons of scrap rubber will go into the production of 720,000 of the new baseballs with rubber cushioned centers, taking the place of a similar number of cork cushioned baseballs.

Phillips Assigned To Farm Committee

The assignment of Congressman John Phillips of this city to the house agricultural committee last week, assured representation of Riverside farmers in Congress.

The committee was enlarged to 27 members to permit the addition of the Riverside county man to the group.

The democratic appointment to balance the committee has not been made, according to the dispatch from Washington.

Declares Private Industry Needed For Prosperity

The uncertainty prevalent in the public mind regarding the future of our entire private enterprise system is strikingly illustrated by questions being raised about whether the railroads can meet competition under private ownership after the war, and even about whether they can survive at all," said Samuel O. Dunn of Chicago, editor of "Railway Age," in an address at Town Hall in Los Angeles.

"The government's National Resources Planning Board in its report on transportation has taken the view that the government should acquire railway tracks and terminals. It bases this on the assumption that the government will spend so much on competing waterways, highways and airways that private railway companies will be unable to earn enough adequately to rehabilitate and improve their properties. But, as a practical matter, government acquisition of tracks and terminals unquestionably would lead to complete government railway ownership and operation.

WHAT IS NEEDED

"What we will need in the post-war period for prosperity will be restoration in all industries of private enterprise untrammeled by huge unnecessary government spending, excessive government controls and direct or indirect government competition and I confidently expect that this is what we will have."

Those who believe in free enterprise will have to fight for it incessantly and all along the line both during and after the war. But I am confident they will win, because I believe they will have public sentiment with them now, and that after our experience with government domination throughout the war, they will have public sentiment much more strongly with them after the war."

POINTS TO ACHIEVEMENTS

Dunn pointed to the war achievement of the railways, especially in this territory, despite handicaps and restrictions in obtaining needed materials and equipment, declaring:

"I venture to call attention to another government-imposed restriction which, while applying directly only to railways in this territory, is actually national in its effects. I refer to California's so-called 'full crew' law.

"Our great war effort can not be maintained and increased unless the railways can continue to handle increased traffic, and every waste of manpower on them anywhere prevents them from getting needed manpower everywhere."

"The problem in every industry, including the railroad industry, is that of getting enough employees to 'keep 'em rolling' here in order that they can 'keep 'em flying' out there on our far-flung battle-line; and 'make work' laws and restrictions have become, in their aggregate and cumulative effect, a national menace."

More than half of all lend-lease supplies exported in 1942 were military items.

Meat Plan . . .

(Continued from page 1) are permitted to make "change" in coupons using the one-point stamp. In figuring fractional values that are less than one-half a point value, the grocer will not deduct any additional points, but for fractions of one-half or more, the grocer will remove one full point for the fractional poundage.

HALF RATIONED

The new program, which affects approximately 200 different types and cuts of the newly rationed items, will bring 50 per cent of the consumers' weekly food budget under rationing control. Among the few remaining important foodstuffs still unrationed are bread, cereal, fresh fish, poultry, game, fresh vegetables, potatoes, eggs and milk.

By other regulations to control distribution of the nation's food stock, OPA expects to deal black market manipulators a death blow. These measures to wipe out food "bootlegging," which threatens both civilian and military supplies as well as the nation's health, include licensing slaughterers and dealers and cents retail ceilings on all pork cuts. With uniform ceiling on beef (which together with pork constitutes 80 per cent of the housewives' meat budgets), OPA officials feel that meat black markets will have little chance to survive.

In the case of pork ceilings, announcement of the specific prices was made long enough in advance to supply posters and detailed instructions to all grocers by the time the regulations go into effect on April 1. However, it now appears possible that OPA may rely on the press and radio to familiarize the nation on the beef ceilings, thus speeding up institution of the order.

WHAT IT MEANS

William A. Lippman, chairman of the local war price and rationing board released the following OPA explanation of meat rationing today:

Q. How many pounds of meat will I be able to buy for each person in my family when rationing begins?

A. You are not on a "per pound" meat ration. What amount you get depends on the cut of meat you buy, and what other rationed foods you wish to buy with your red stamps. You will have 16 points per person to spend each week for meats, cheeses, canned fish, and fats all together.

Q. Will I get more meat for my stamps if I buy cuts of higher point value?

A. Not necessarily. Point values are determined by a number of factors in addition to the amount of edible meat per pound. Porterhouse steak, for example, worth eight points per pound, has a large bone; beef liver, worth only six points, has no bone at all.

Q. When rationing begins, can I be sure that I will find all the cuts of meat listed on the table of consumer point values in every store?

A. Probably not. In localities where there have been shortages of meat, it may take a little time

Many Villagers Aiding in Vocational Therapy Work of Art in Defense Group Now Active at Torney General Hospital

One of the most interesting of all war activities is Art in National Defense, now operating in all of the larger Naval and Military Hospitals in Southern California, including the Torney Hospital at Palm Springs.

The title of the organization is a little misleading to those who are not familiar with its wide scope. The reason for this is that it was begun by 23 art associations, having over 600 artist members, prior to Pearl Harbor. It has been in active war service and has been doing a highly commendable job.

before markets will have a complete assortment. However, housewives can be sure of finding as much rationed food in any store as they have points to spend.

Q. Will chain stores, as well as privately-owned meat markets, all charge the same number of points per pound for the same cut of meat?

A. Yes. The values are the same all over the country. Sliced bacon, boneless picnics, and most beefsteaks, for example, will have a value of eight points per pound, no matter where you buy them, just as pork liver and veal kidneys will cost five points per pound in every store.

Q. What should I do if the butcher cuts off a larger piece of meat than I asked for—and that costs more points than I want to spend for meat?

A. As a rule, the butcher will be able to reduce the cut to conform to your available points. Where this is impossible, you may be asked to choose another cut.

Q. How will the butcher set the point value of a boned rolled roast?

A. He will weigh the roast with the bone in to determine its point value. He may then remove the bone so the roast can be rolled if you wish—and the bone is yours.

Q. Must I pay the same number of points per pound for a whole side of bacon as I do for sliced bacon I buy in packages?

A. No. A whole slab of bacon is considered a wholesale cut and will be sold at the "trade" point value.

Q. How will I know how many points to pay for each cut of meat?

A. Point prices of retail cuts will be listed on an official table of consumer point values and at least one copy will be posted in every store. In addition, each retailer will have a copy of the point value of wholesale cuts. Point values may also be attached to cuts of meat displayed in show cases.

Q. May I have round steak ground for hamburger?

A. Yes. But you must buy it and give points for it as steak. You may then have it ground if you wish.

Q. How do I pay points for meat which is not cut to just an even number of points?

A. A fraction of a point is dropped if it is less than half a point, and a full point is charged if the fraction is more than one-half.

Q. How will I know how many points I must pay for a cut of meat if I don't recognize its name on the table of point values?

A. Your butcher is an expert on meat cuts; ask him your questions. Many newspapers will carry pictures of meat cuts and their names. If your paper does print these pictures, be sure to cut them out and save them for future reference.

Q. May I buy ham, bacon, and butter from the farmer with whom I usually trade?

A. Yes. You may continue to buy rationed food anywhere you wish, and you pay the same number of ration points regardless of where you do your buying.

OUR PRAYER

Dear Lord, our boys are far away,
Their loved ones left behind,
We pray that Thou wilt be to them
A Father, true and kind.

Be with them in the training camps
Where the tempter oft comes in,

Keep them busy, clean and reverent,
With no time or desire to sin.

And when the training is over
And they leave for the battle field,
Go with them as a guiding light,
As a protecting shield.

And may they feel Thy presence, Lord,

May they know that Thou art near,
That Thou wilt bring them back again
To all they hold most dear.

May they bow their heads in gratitude,
Saying, "Thank Thee, Lord—
Amen."

Mrs. Erma L. Van Vleet



Van Linkletter Enters Navy

Van Linkletter, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Linkletter, left for Los Angeles Wednesday evening to enter the Navy.

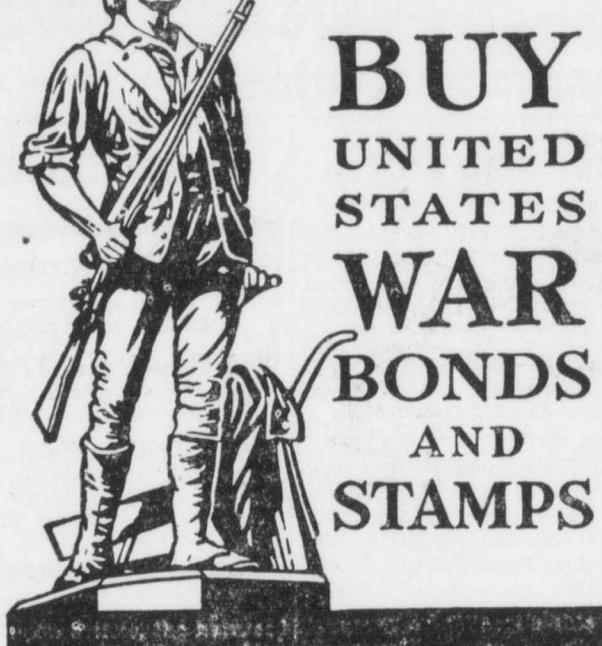
Young Linkletter has lived in Palm Springs for a number of years, attending the local grade and high school.

LICENSE ISSUED

A marriage license was issued Thursday in Riverside to Sylvester Joseph Hughes and Helen Mary Perrin, both of Palm Springs.

Arthur E. Bailey, city manager, was in El Centro this week on business.

FOR VICTORY



Story of Outbreak Of War Told Lions Club by Speaker

The story of Hawaii and Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, when the Japanese launched their attack and plunged the United States into war, was told members of the Palm Springs Lions' club by W. M. Davis, for many years a resident of the Islands who is now wintering in Palm Springs.

Davis was on the scene on that fateful Sunday morning and was able to give Lion club members an eye-witness story of that day and the days that followed.

He left Honolulu in February, 1942, on a convoy and reached the mainland in March, a year ago.

His story was highly interesting and held the close interest of club members.

Dr. J. R. Macartney was chairman for the day.

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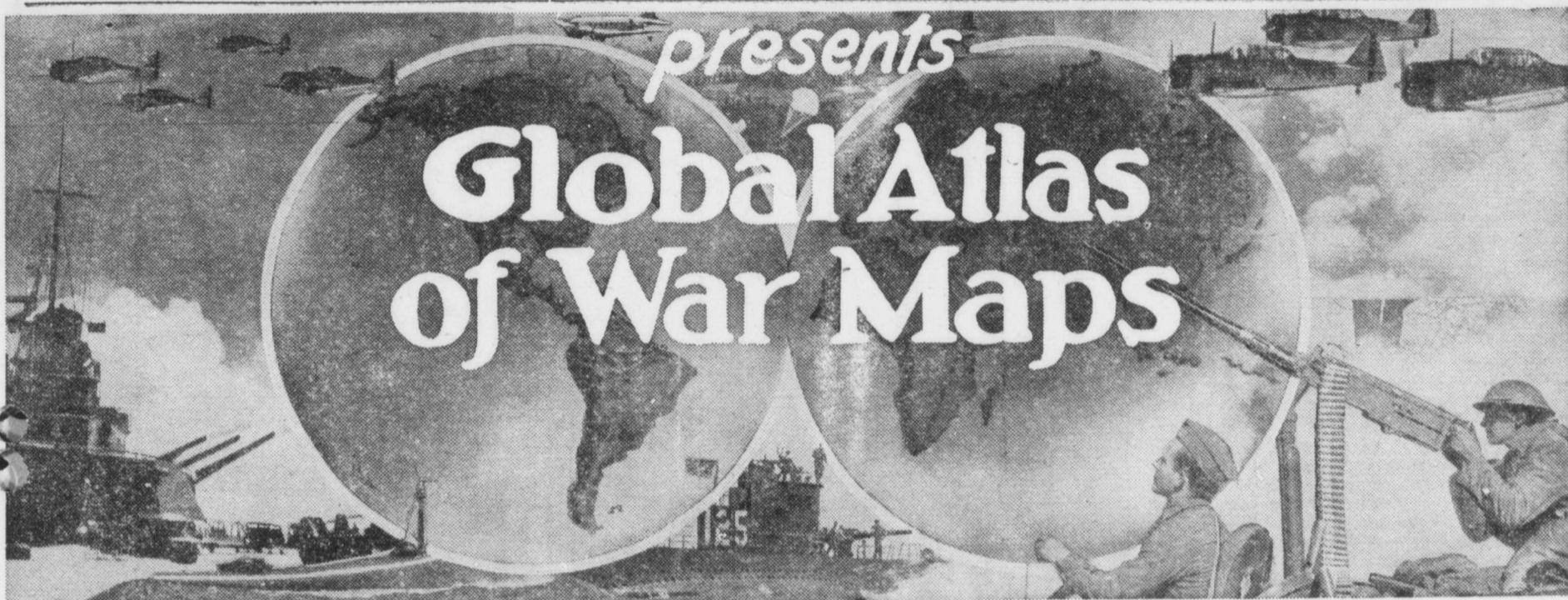
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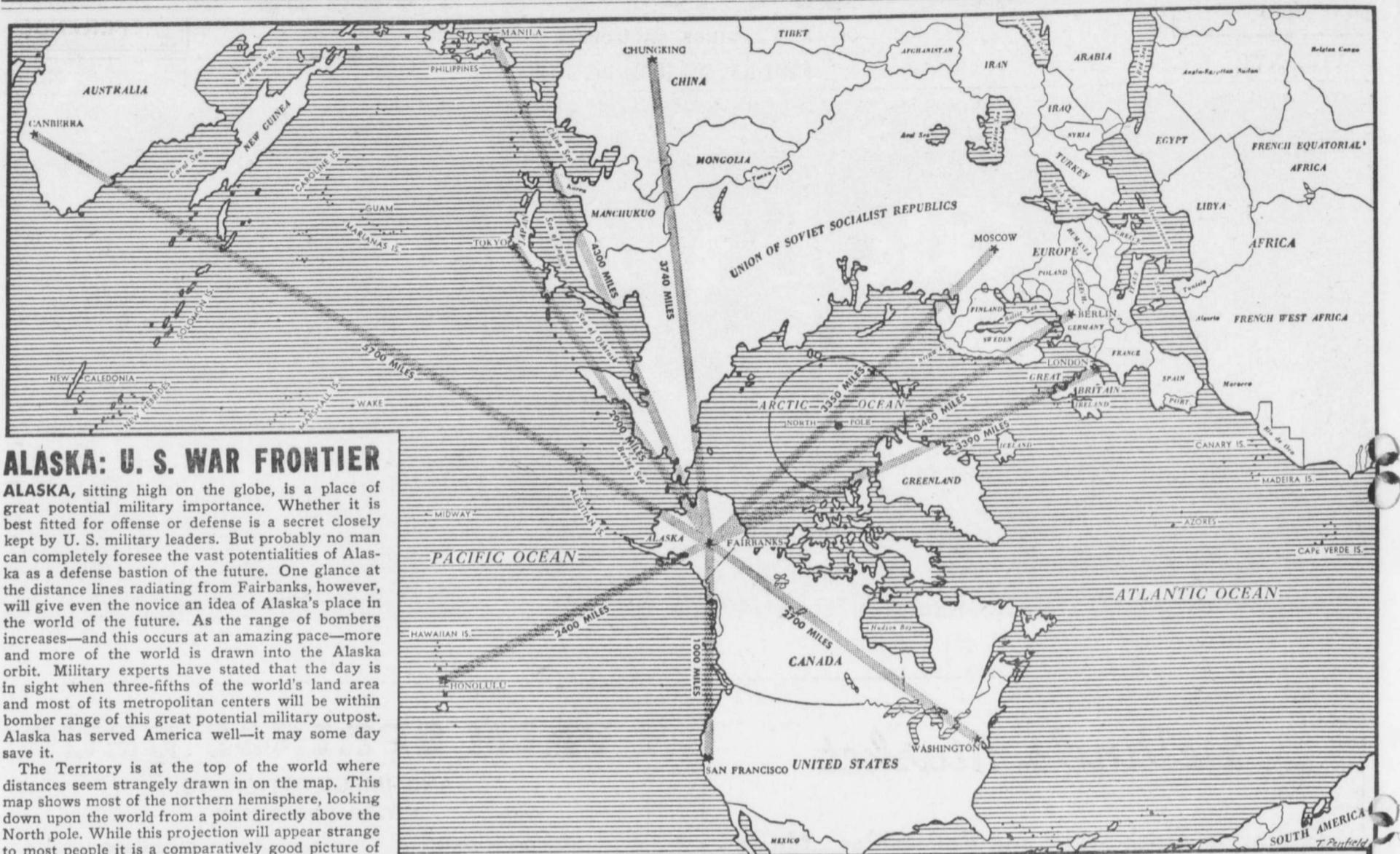
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ALASKA: U. S. WAR FRONTIER

ALASKA, sitting high on the globe, is a place of great potential military importance. Whether it is best fitted for offense or defense is a secret closely kept by U. S. military leaders. But probably no man can completely foresee the vast potentialities of Alaska as a defense bastion of the future. One glance at the distance lines radiating from Fairbanks, however, will give even the novice an idea of Alaska's place in the world of the future. As the range of bombers increases—and this occurs at an amazing pace—more and more of the world is drawn into the Alaska orbit. Military experts have stated that the day is in sight when three-fifths of the world's land area and most of its metropolitan centers will be within bomber range of this great potential military outpost. Alaska has served America well—it may some day save it.

The Territory is at the top of the world where distances seem strangely drawn in on the map. This map shows most of the northern hemisphere, looking down upon the world from a point directly above the North pole. While this projection will appear strange to most people it is a comparatively good picture of the northern world and with relatively little distortion above the equator. Compare the size of Greenland and the United States with the same areas on the world map in this atlas. Alaska's true position in relation to the land area of the world is best seen on this, a polar projection.

The Aleutians point like a dagger at Japan. Attu, the westernmost island, is but 2,000 miles from Tokyo. By seizing the islands Japan could point the dagger at the heart of America. Congress has belatedly appropriated millions to arm Alaska, but how this money is being spent, where the men, the guns and the planes are being dispersed and the bases are being located is a secret which the Japs would like to know. The record-breaking time in

which army engineers rushed to completion the new Alcan highway—a military road of inestimable importance—attests the value placed upon Alaska by military authorities. It is possible that you may one day drive your car over this road to the shores of Bering strait and cross by ferry to the vast Siberian wilderness of Russia. Only 56 miles of water separates Alaska and Siberia at this point, and only 16 miles separate the Russian-owned Big Diomede island from the United States' Little Diomede island. Aside from the military importance of strategic Alaska it is hard to conceive what giant industrial empires the Soviets and the United States may some day carve out of their neighboring northlands.

ALASKA: STRATEGIC OUTPOST



NORTH AFRICA.—The North African expedition will be written in history as one of the greatest single military overseas expeditions of all times. Carefully timed and planned it may change the whole course of the war. Fighting was negligible; it was Blitzkrieg personified. Hitler will not be defeated by the Allied conquest of North Africa, but the act will have given the Allies two tremendous advantages which have been sorely lacking: (1) Protection for Mediterranean shipping, and (2), new bases completing the semicircle of bases around Europe.

Allied air power based on North Africa will in time raise a protective "umbrella" above the Mediterranean shipping lanes and permit safe passage of that stretch of water. When this is a realization the effect upon Japan will be stunning, for then a sizeable force in India can be maintained to give the Chinese real help in driving the Japs from China. This new route will save 8,000 miles and many thousands of tons of shipping. The Middle East can be supplied and its oil brought back to Britain.

Eventually North Africa will be fringed with Allied airfields, and planes based upon them will rain death from the skies upon Southern Europe until it is softened up enough for a blow at the vulnerable part of Europe. The bases in North Africa will unquestionably be used as jumping off points for Sicily, Sardinia, Corsica, Italy, Southern France, Greece, Crete, and perhaps the Balkans, accompanied by invasions from British points.

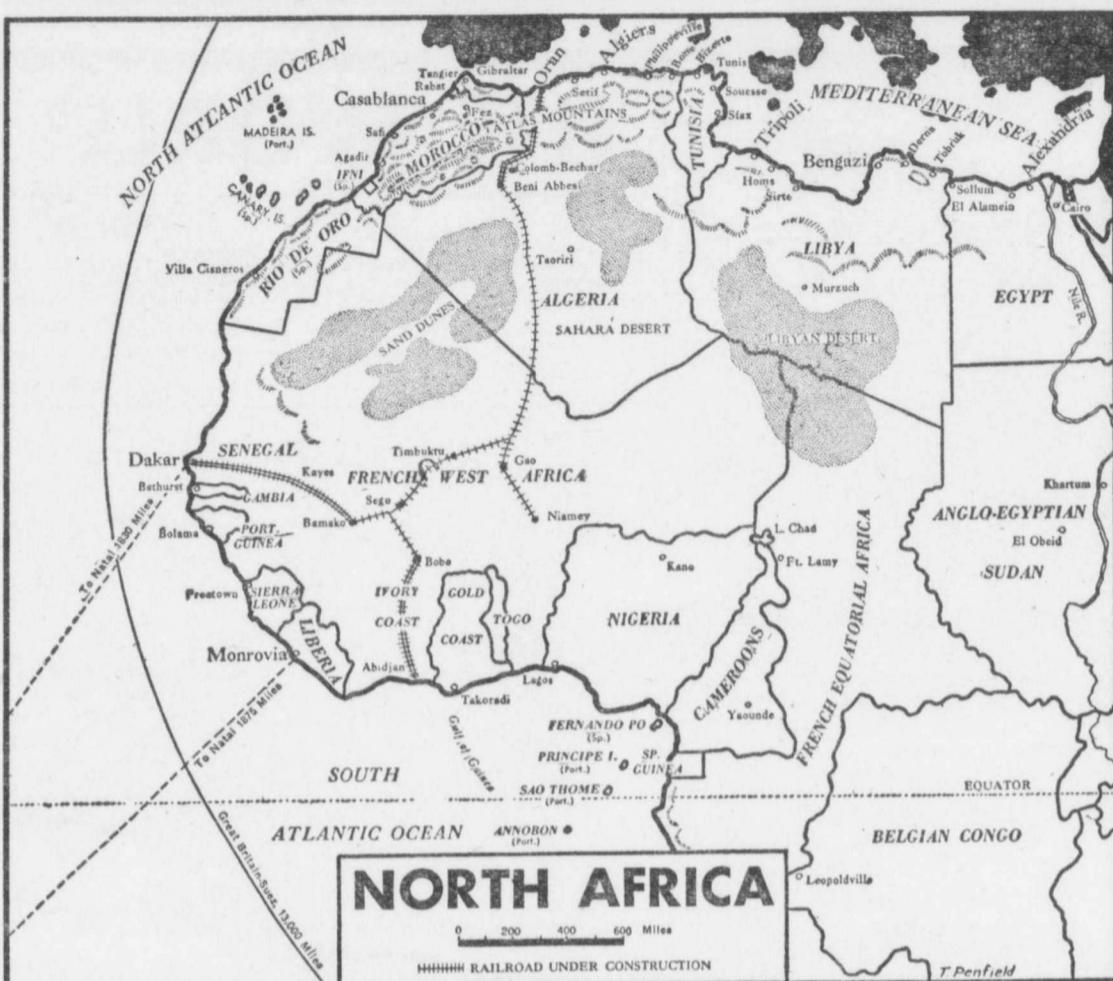
A great deal has been said about the importance of Dakar. Only 1,830 air miles from Natal, Brazil, it has been a constant threat to the security of our Atlantic position. As an Allied base it will immeasurably strengthen our North Atlantic sea lanes and relieve the submarine menace in this area. There is no evidence that German submarines have used Dakar as operating base, but in Hitler's control Dakar would be the equivalent of adding many new vessels to his submarine fleet. In Allied hands Dakar will cut thousands of miles from the route used for air-borne plane deliveries to the fighting fronts. It will serve as a great dispersal point for all kinds of military equipment—an advanced supply base such as established by the Allies at a secret Red sea point. The facilities of Dakar are superior to those of any West African port. The harbor is deep, well protected, and with a drydock, seaplane bases, vast petroleum storage tanks and all the other installations of a first-class naval base.

The Trans-Saharan railway has been a French dream since 1879. The section between Colomb-Bechar and Beni Abbes was completed in 1942. By 1946 it is scheduled for completion to the major river ports of Segu and Gao, tapping the vast Niger valley. The gap between Bamako and Beni Abbes is 1,500 miles. The route is largely over desert lands of shifting sands where few bridges and tunnels are required. Hitler may have dreamed of using this road in his plan to conquer South America from Dakar, and thence move northward to the United States. Now the Allies may reverse the plan.

RUSSIA.—From the icy shore of Barents sea to the snow-covered crags and peaks of the Caucasus Russia fights on a 2,500-mile long front—the longest continuous land front of World War II, and one which offers little except weather in the way of a natural defense barrier. The rich Ukraine and the iron, coal and manganese districts of the Crimea and Donetz Basin have been lost to the Germans, but the Russians fight on with the resources developed in the equally rich Magnitogorsk region. It is true that Russia has lost all of the rich wheat land of the Ukraine, but the Russians have demonstrated before that hunger does not rapidly weaken their will to resist. The loss of the Ukraine was serious, but not fatal.

Unless the Red army can be annihilated it is difficult to see how Russia can be defeated by a Germany which must guard stolen countries from the North Cape to the Mediterranean. Russia's great wall is the Ural mountains, and Russia's back is far from that wall. Russia can retire hundreds of miles. Can Hitler extend his already thin lines that distance? But Russia is determined not to retire. The Russians are peculiar this way—a peculiarity Hitler fails to understand. "They are licked," he said a year ago, "why don't they quit?"

Roughly Germany has conquered and holds but 10% of Russian soil. Contrary to public opinion the 90% still held by the Russians is rich in natural resources and probably adequately machined. From all reports morale was never higher. The invasion of North Africa has given her relief to some measure—perhaps not as much as the Russians desire, but at least the definite assurance that greater things are on the way.



NORTH AFRICA

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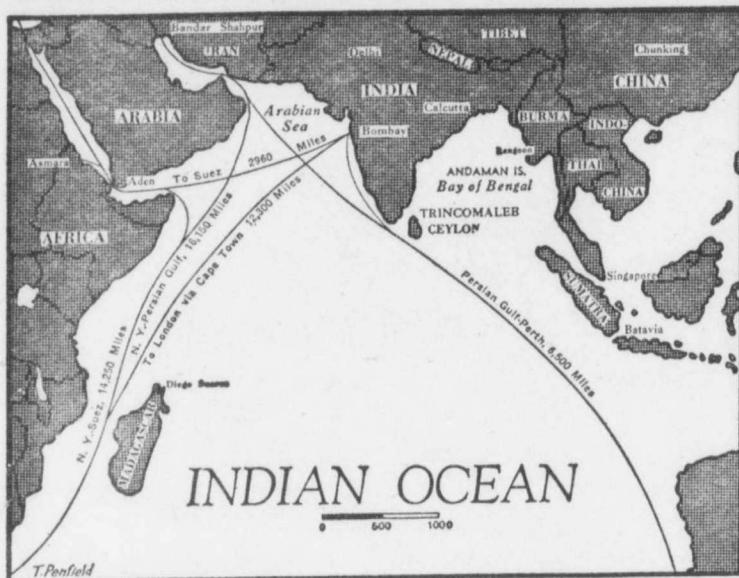


SICILY.—For many months both Germans and Italians have been battering Britain's lifeline through the Mediterranean with planes based upon strategically located Sicily. From these Sicilian fields bombers have shuttled across the 60 miles of water to blast the British base at Malta. An air-borne army has undoubtedly long been held here in anticipation of dropping in on Malta at the opportune moment. But the solid defenders of Malta have never weakened. Instead they have exacted a terrible toll of Nazi planes and pilots.

The Germans, realizing that any Allied hope of invading the soft underside of the Axis through Italy must include capture of Sicily first, have probably heavily fortified the island and garrisoned it well. Trapani, Siracusa, Catania, Messina and Palermo are all bases with good airfields. Out of them operate Axis submarines and small surface craft. Scattered over the island, which is only 125 miles long, are innumerable concealed air bases Italian in name only.

The geography of Italy forces her to be ready to defend herself from many directions, but also gives her many geographical advantages. To Sicily, Mussolini has given the task of preventing an invasion of Italy from the south. Sicily fitted well into the offensive scheme of empire which Mussolini had outlined for his country previous to the collapse of Italian armies in Egypt and the subsequent infiltration of German troops.

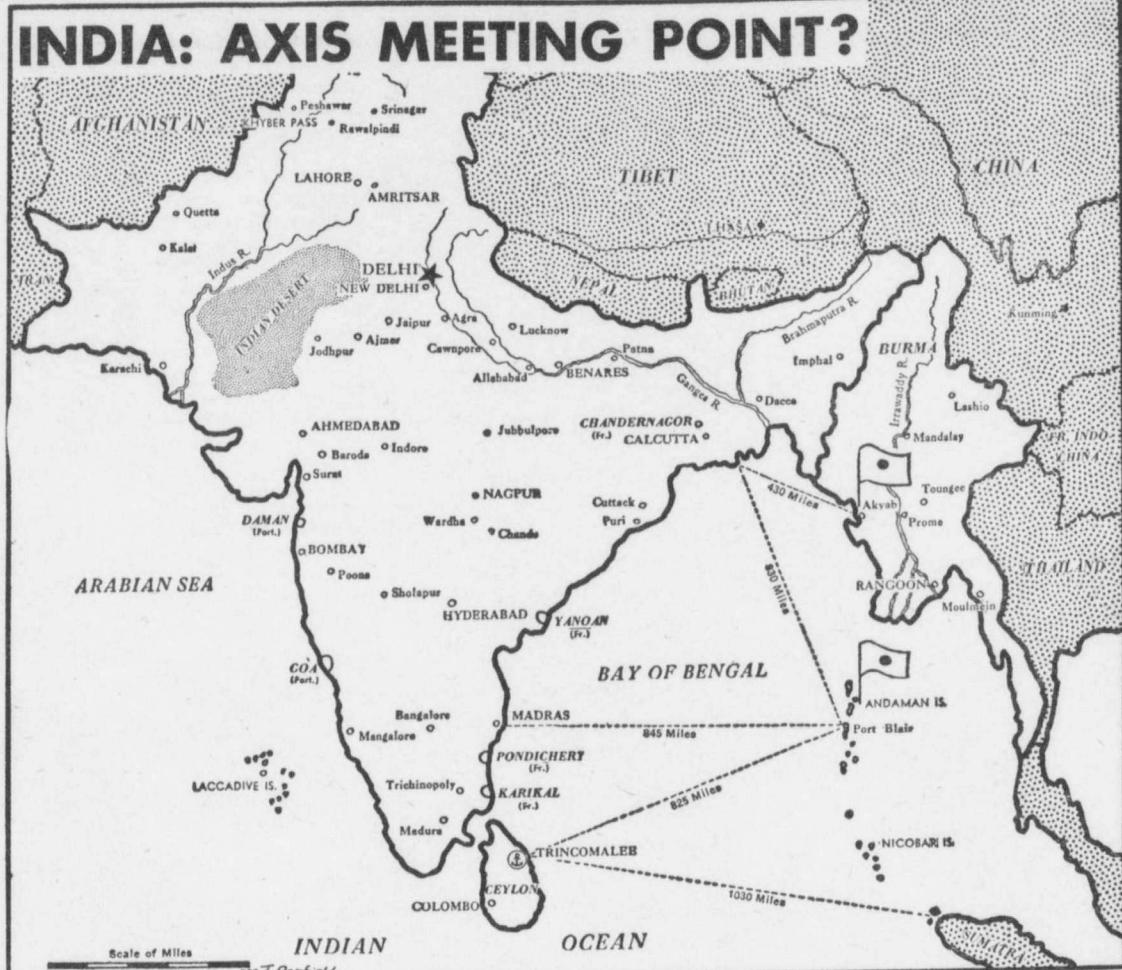
In World War I Italy waited until 1915 to see how events would fall. Convicted then of Allied victory, and under promises of territorial gains, Italy entered the war and received a terrific pounding from Austrians and Germans, culminating in a disastrous defeat on the Piave river. In World War II Italy was equally cautious and did not enter the war as Germany's ally against England and France until it was apparent to her military leaders that France was already shaking on her heels from German assaults. There are good reasons for this Italian caution. Italy is a poor nation with many people and little wealth. She has millions of soldiers, but little coal and iron to make weapons for them, and little will to fight to the finish. Her coast line is long and her food supply is dependent upon other countries. Italy's chief ambitions were to build a new Roman empire around the Mediterranean sea, to open the English-held door to the Atlantic at Gibraltar and by conquering Egypt and the Sudan to link up Ethiopia with Italy.



INDIAN OCEAN.—Two long Allied supply routes skirt the fringes of the Indian ocean. The western, and most used, route serves to supply Allied forces in the Near East and North Africa from the United States and Great Britain. Along this route, too, moves much of the Lend Lease equipment into the Persian gulf and thence on by rail and truck to Russia's southern armies. This route was secured by the British seizure of Madagascar, a step or two ahead of the Japs. With complete Allied control of the Mediterranean this route will be abandoned in favor of the shorter route through the Suez canal. The second and lesser used route is that from Australia to Bombay and the Persian gulf, handling U. S. transhipments from Australia. When and if India is invaded by Japan this route will increase in importance.

Unless the Japs can secure and establish further bases on the edge of the Indian ocean this great waterway should remain securely in control of Allied naval power. The great British Indian ocean base is at Trincomalee in Ceylon. During the low of British fortune in the Far East the Japs made one attempt to take this base or knock it out, but the British drove them off. The main Japanese bases for action in this area are Port Blair in the Andaman islands, Akyab and the huge Singapore base captured from the British at the outbreak of war in the Pacific. It is unlikely, however, that the Japanese have sufficient naval strength above that required to hold and press their South Pacific gains to attempt an Indian ocean venture in the near future. In the event that Germany is defeated before Japan—and Prime Minister Churchill has publicly hinted of this possibility—the Indian ocean will serve as Britain's path to pour troops and equipment into India and China in a huge pincers movement designed to throttle Japan.

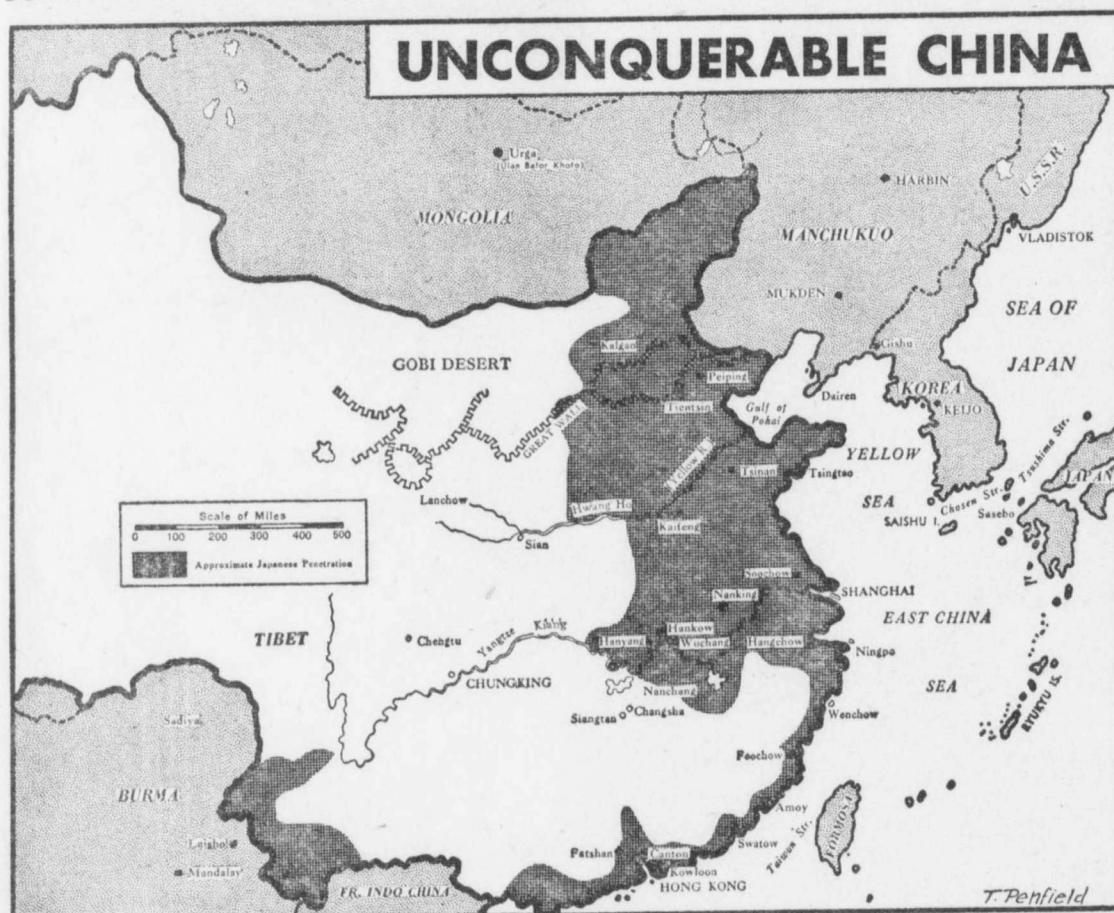
India is naturally the key to the whole Indian ocean situation. Should the Japanese conquer India and establish bases near the entrances to the Persian gulf and Red sea they will constitute a real threat to the Russian supply lines. Such a move by Japan might force Russia, in defense of her vital supply routes, to attack Japan's puppet state of Manchukuo to relieve the danger. This in turn would open Russian bases for United States bombers to carry the war to Japan proper. The situation is full of possibilities. Japan lodged in West India would be near Moslem Arabia and only a step from Africa. By jumping across the Red sea she could attack the Allied African forces from the rear, forming with Hitler's armies a gigantic pincers movement designed to strangle the Allies.



INDIA.—That India should be endangered by a power with its headquarters some 4,000 miles away is one of the wonders and dangers of modern war. But this is the prospect which India faces. The threat is deadly serious if and when Japan can release sufficient naval power from the Pacific. The imminence of Japanese invasion has tended to unify the Indian peoples, but at the same time the Indians have seized this opportune hour to demand independence from the British.

From the Japanese advance bases in Thailand (Siam), Burma and the Andaman islands, India's southeast coast is in range of Jap medium range bombers. The rest of India can be reached by long range bombers, and India's flat east coast is ideal terrain for a determined landing force. An overall Axis plan undoubtedly calls for a meeting of Jap and Nazi troops some place in teeming India. When—and if—this occurs it will indeed be a low point in the Allied fortunes of war.

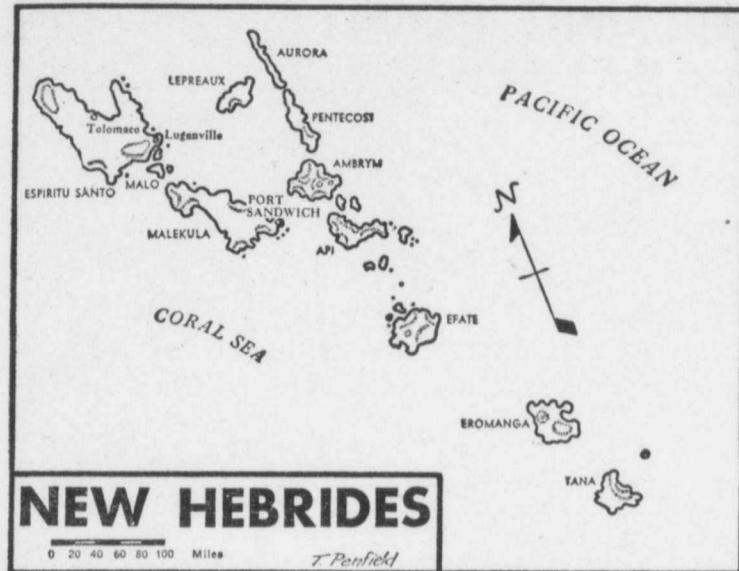
Only by a conquest of India can a junction of the two Axis partners be effected, whether it be attained as a result of Japanese subjugation of the whole of Hindustan and possibly penetration even farther westward, or by a joint offensive with a German breakthrough in the Near East. In any case the resulting Axis self-sufficiency in raw materials and manufactured goods that would be the outcome of such a junction would, to say the least, prolong the war for several years. It is primarily to prevent such a catastrophe that the United Nations must hold India at all costs; but there are other scarcely less pressing considerations that serve to emphasize the strategic importance of India. The United Nations forces in the Near East, as a result of the shortage of shipping, will depend more and more on India's food production and on the many kinds of munitions and equipment that India is able to manufacture. The Allied hope of gathering a strong land force to eventually drive the Jap from China may depend upon the position of strategic India.



CHINA.—For five years the Chinese have been fighting back at the Japanese. Recently they have had to fight on a half-dozen different fronts. China is without any railroad to the outside world since the Jap seizure of Indo-China. There is no highway outlet from the north. The 2,500-mile road to Russia is all but useless since Russia needs every gun and shell she can get against the Germans. Material aid from the Allies has been slow—but it is coming. Yet China fights on with unflinching faith in the defensive strength of her depth.

China is the nearest and strongest base available to the United States for direct attack against Japan. If ways can be found to arm and equip her 2,000,000 soldiers and 1,000,000 reserves—send them the planes, the guns and the tanks—China may drive the Jap into the sea. The Chinese soldier is tough—and he has refused to quit. Against overwhelming odds the Chinese have materially aided the cause of the United Nations. Their resistance to the Japanese has been all the more amazing because of their lack of the modern tools of war.



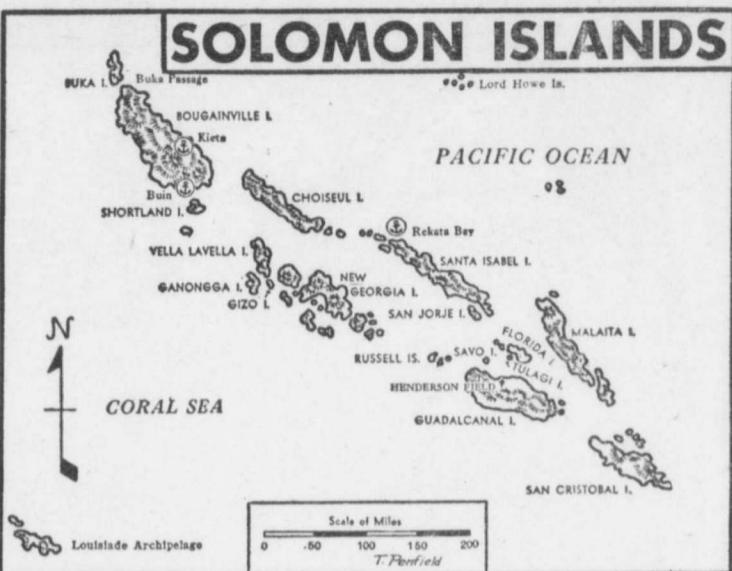


NEW HEBRIDES

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SOLOMON ISLANDS.—The Solomons were discovered by a Spaniard, completely forgotten, and not seen by a white man until 1568. In 1885 they were divided between Germany and Great Britain, and in 1914 they were taken over by Australia as a mandate until they were all but swallowed up in the Japanese advance. The main Jap bases are at Keta, Buin and Rekata bay, with Buin probably the strongest and best equipped of the three. Another base was under construction at Tulagi until knocked out by Allied airmen. If the Japs are driven out of Guadalcanal their strategy will probably be to fall back on their nearest base and carry on the war from that point. Step by step, island by island, they will force the Allies to regain their stolen outposts at the greatest possible cost. That the Jap considers the Solomons of great importance is evidenced in his fanatical fight to hold them.



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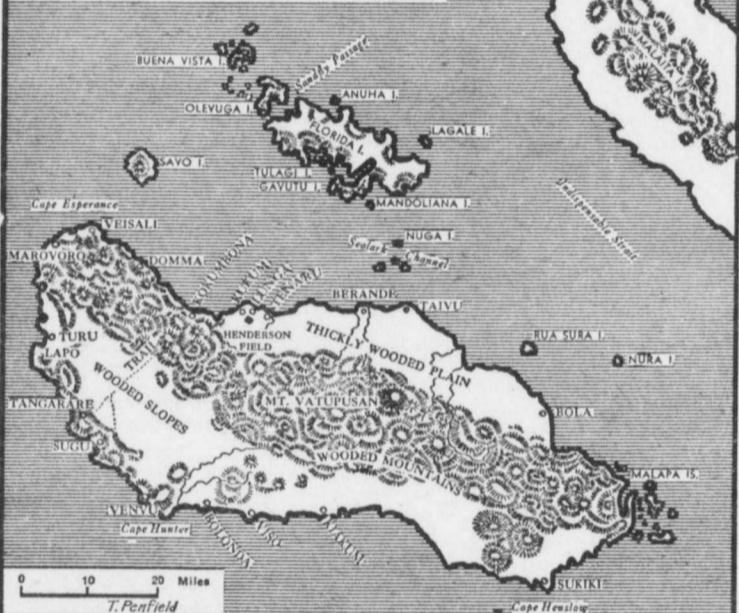
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THE NEW HEBRIDES, a French and British condominium, are directly in the path of the U. S. supply line to Australia. When stopped at Guadalcanal the Japs were moving towards the New Hebrides and in their possession they would have at one and the same time severed that vital supply route and flanked Australia. With the fall of France the New Hebrides joined the Free French and eventually permitted the entry of U. S. forces and the establishment of a base at an undisclosed point on the island of Espiritu Santo. From this forward base U. S. airmen strike deep at the heart of the Japs lurking in their rapidly prepared bases in the Solomons.

GUADALCANAL



GUADALCANAL is the focal point in a major struggle for control of the southwest Pacific. Its only airfield, Henderson Field, has been the vortex of this struggle since its capture by U. S. Marines August 7, 1942. The island, tropically luxurious and topped by 8,000-foot peaks, is about 90 miles long and lies at the southern extremity of Japan's 3,324-mile reach into the southern hemisphere. It can act as a springboard for either the Allies or the Japs. Its possession by Japan makes it a constant threat to the security of Australia and its vital supply lines from the United States.

NEW GUINEA

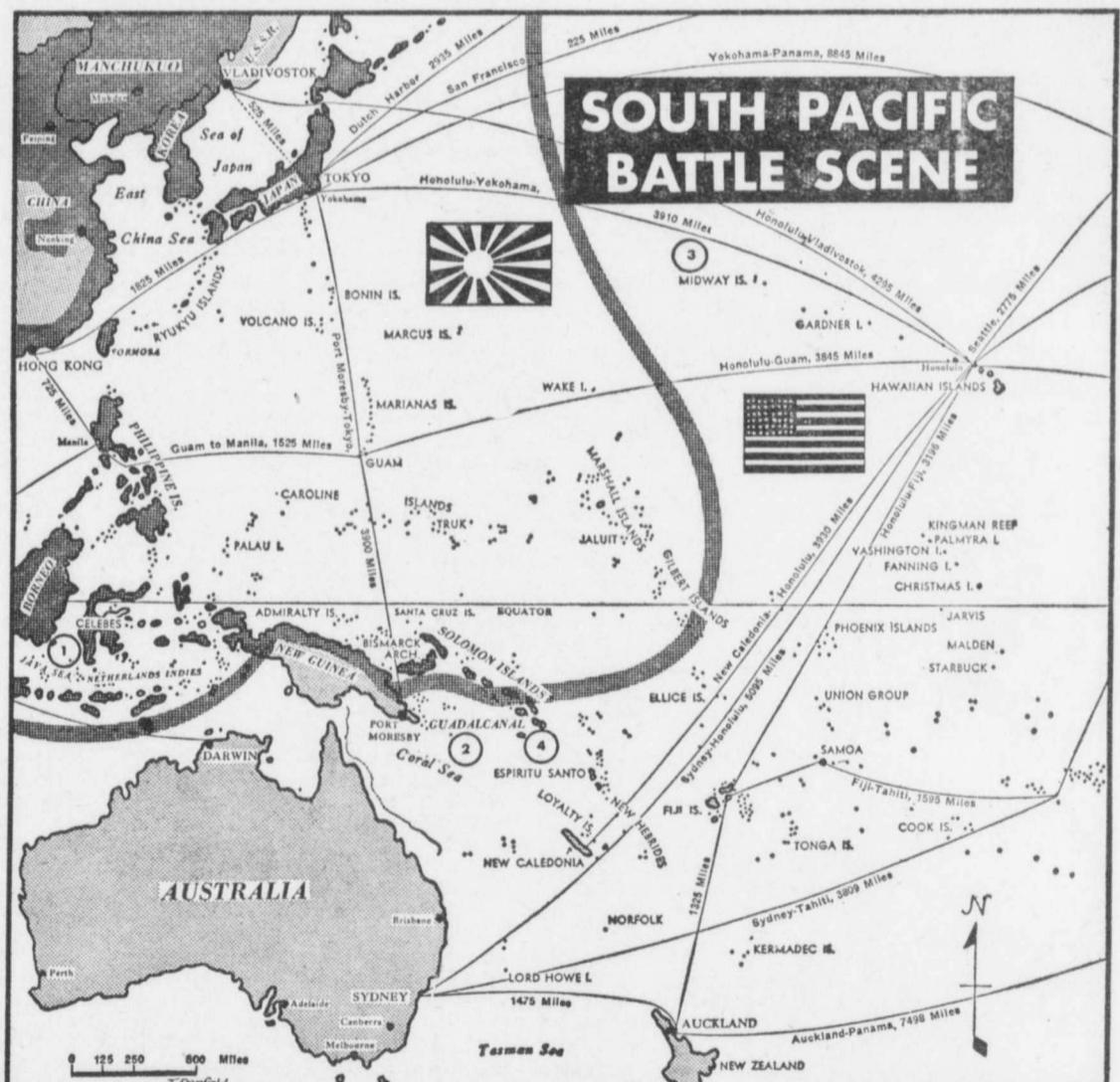


NEW GUINEA.—In all military history water and mountains have proven to be man's greatest natural barriers against invasion. The Japs have found no exception to this rule in New Guinea where the difficulties of surmounting the jungle-tangled trails of the Owen Stanley Range were more than even their suicidal determination to win could overcome. From Gona and Buna the Jap tried to drive across Papua to the Australian-held base at Port Moresby. It looked as if he might succeed again, but finally disease, hunger, the terrible jungle dampness and heroic Australians beat him back.



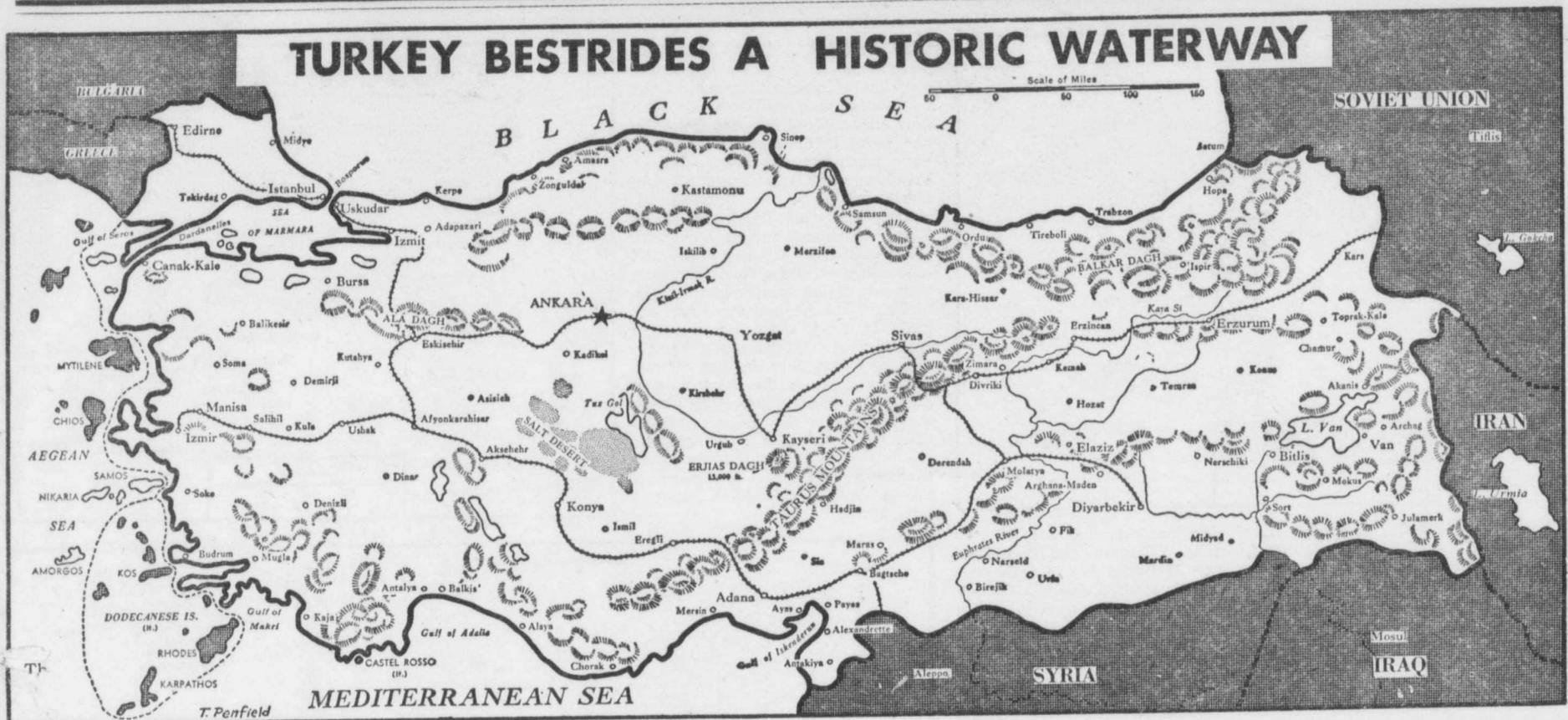
NEW CALEDONIA

NEW CALEDONIA serves as an Allied outpost and protective base along the U. S.-Australian lifeline. It was occupied first by the British and later by American forces. With Espiritu Santo, the Fijis and American Samoa it forms a huge defensive triangle through which all troops and materials for the Pacific struggle passes. Any one of these points in Japanese control would immeasurably increase our Pacific problem and prolong the war indefinitely. New Caledonia's elongated shores are reef-studded and the land is hilled and thickly wooded. Noumea is the chief port and a good port available to the Allies dangerously threatening Japan's southern flank.



SOUTH PACIFIC BATTLE SCENE

PACIFIC BATTLE SCENE.—In this vast corner of the world's greatest ocean four great naval battles have already been fought. These have been: (1) Battle of Java sea February 27-March 1, an Allied defeat that gave Japan control of the East Indies; (2) Battle of the Coral Sea, May 4-9, an Allied victory that halted the Jap thrust at Australia and our supply line to the South Pacific; (3) Battle of Midway, June 4-6, which prevented a possible Jap invasion of the Hawaiian islands; (4) Battle of the Solomons, August 7-November 18, a series of engagements which prevented the cutting of the U. S. supply line and so upset the balance of Pacific naval power as to materially weaken Japan's position in the South Pacific area.



TURKEY.—In the foreground of history are the Bosporus and the Dardanelles—two narrow necks of water which separate Asia from Europe and form the two entrances to Turkey's own private Sea of Marmara. The famous straits, key to the Black sea, have been a source of trouble since the dawn of time. And as Turkey holds this key so does she hold the key to the vast oil fields of the Near East—the Caucasus and Iran (Persia).

Hitler, unable to reach the Caucasus oil fields through Russia, may be forced to go through Turkey. Will the Turks fight? Only the Turks know the answer to this. They have been completely enigmatic, but in view of recent Russian successes at Stalingrad they may resist invasion. Turkey is the kind of a country which is ideal for tank and plane warfare—vast distances and open plains. The Turkish defense line would probably extend along the Taurus mountain range—the country's only natural defense barrier. The Turks, as history has proven, are stubborn fighters, and unless the Axis could gain control of the Mediterranean they could not be isolated. This is exactly the kind of a military situation the Nazis try to avoid.

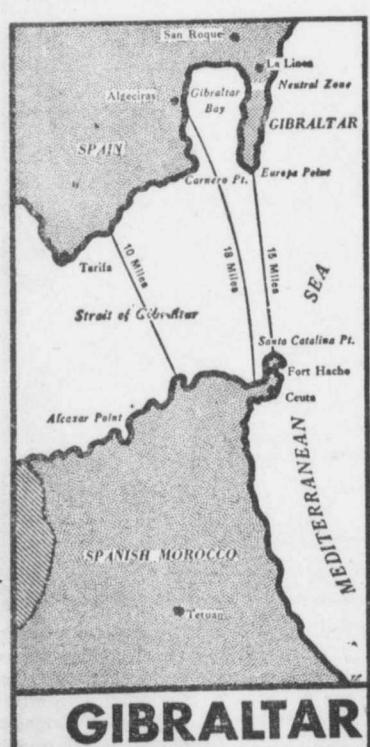
If Turkey can be won to the Allied side, and the Allies can establish complete control of the Mediterranean, the problem of supplying Russia will be greatly reduced by access of the Black sea route, thus eliminating the long haul to Murmansk and the Persian gulf.



MEDITERRANEAN.—The Mediterranean sea was called by the Romans the "Sea in the Middle of the Land," and to them no other lands, no other seas existed. On this land-locked sea of history has been fought all of Europe's decisive naval battles except two—Jutland and the Spanish Armada. In 480 B. C. Xerxes watched the Athenians crush his hopes of world conquest off the shores of Salamis. In the Battle of Actium, 31 B. C., the galleys of Antony met those of Octavian. The Battle of Lepanto in 1571, off the Peloponnesos, saw Christendom throw off the dominance of the Turks. At Aboukir bay, off the coast of Egypt, Lord Nelson destroyed

Napoleon's fleet and his oriental dreams.

Italy has long cherished control of the Mediterranean, and she has some ancient claims on this great waterway. As early as 1000 A. D. the ships of Venice were Europe's chief contact with the East. But English men-of-war did not neglect the Mediterranean, which increased tremendously with the opening of the Suez canal in 1869. Soon the British had both ends bottled up and control of the tiny island of Malta at the bottleneck between Sicily and French Tunisia, which stood out like a stop signal before Italy's aspirations in North Africa.



GIBRALTAR, MALTA.—Gibraltar and the Suez canal are the Mediterranean's only entrances. They have both long been in British hands, but because the Axis has free access to the Mediterranean through Italy, Great Britain has attempted to neutralize Italy's strategic position through the maintenance of a powerful base on the bomb-battered island of Malta.

Gibraltar is small: two and three-quarters of a mile long by three-quarters of a mile wide, and 1,437 feet to its highest point. Space to conceal batteries has only been gained by digging deep into the steep walls. Into the miles of caverns the British have stored tons of ammunition and food supplies as against the day Gibraltar must go on its own. It lies within easy range of modern guns, if Spain and the Axis powers choose to attack. Algeciras, on the Spanish mainland, is but four and a half miles across Algeciras bay. Carnero Point, at the entrance to the bay on the Spanish side, is supposedly fortified. Across the Strait of Gibraltar to Santa Catalina Point is but 18 miles. Here, at Fort Hacho, are long-range guns which could shell Gibraltar from the south. No flat surface in the colony is large enough to serve as an airport, and none can be built. Because of this there are no defending land-based fighters except those available from our newly won bases in French Morocco. On the other hand the "Rock" is bristling with anti-aircraft guns of all types and will account for itself well.

Gibraltar's position in a strictly naval conflict is self-evident. Gibraltar could stand and yet the Mediterranean could be lost. The "Rock" could probably withstand a prolonged siege, but because it can be bypassed by the methods of modern war it may not be called upon to do so in the present conflict. Malta's location—half way between Gibraltar and Suez—is a different story. It is a mid-Mediterranean fortress, naval and air base of first magnitude without the control of which any power in the Mediterranean would find itself constantly threatened on its flanks. It neutralizes Italy's bases in Sicily and the Italian base on Pantelleria island. Although its proximity to Sicilian air bases has made it untenable as a shelter for the British Mediterranean fleet it sits athwart of and threatens the Axis Europe-Africa supply route, and it completely dominates the central Mediterranean. But Malta is more than a base. It is a symbol of Allied determination and courage.

